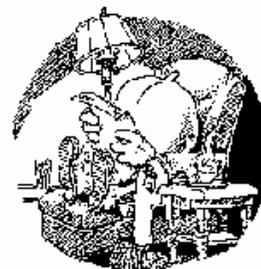


The Garbanzo Gazette

May 8, 2008



Growers Market's Weekly Newsletter

GROWERS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Growers held our annual meeting this week and here is the 2008 - 2009 Grower's Board of Director's: Jennefer Harper, Moises Lucero, Rodney Tisdale, Brian, Leauriy Polk, Richard Tetley, Johnathan Willcee, Samuel Rutledge, Jaci Guarena, Doug Quirk, Nathan Greene, Yeah & thanks! - Jennefer

UPCOMING MEETINGS

The next Growers meeting (board meeting) will be on Tuesday, May 13th, 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. The co-op coordinators' meeting is set for Monday, June 2nd, 6 pm, at 380 Howard, Eugene.

HELP GROWERS WITH YOUR SUGGESTIONS

Although Growers is not a store, like other retail food operations, we make the most money from selling items that don't go bad (soap, for example). Sue, the dry goods buyer, has posted some sheets of paper near the cash registers that allow people to suggest new items for us to sell. The coordinators are also planning more shelf space. If you would like to purchase something at Growers, the chances are that two other people will also wish to buy it, and because we are so small, that would justify us trying to carry it. Note that Sue would like to know the name of the supplier.

FRIDAY MORNING HOURS CLARIFICATION

During the school year only, Growers will be open on Fridays, 9:30 am to noon. We will need to close promptly at noon. The 3:00 to 6:30 pm Friday hours remain in effect.

URGENT HELP NEEDED ON THURSDAY NIGHTS!

We (Myriah and Nathan) need help closing on Thursday evenings. Unfortunately we have no closer as of now! The job is from 7ish to 8:30ish and includes boxing up produce, sweeping, closing up bulk areas, and a few other miscellaneous items. This is a great way to get involved more with Growers and YOUR COMMUNITY on a regular basis....a steady job so to say. Growers gives us all

so much, and now Growers need YOU! You can call Myriah at 343-6008 at Nathan at 302-3205 or stop by any Thursday evening. We look forward to your support!

LOOKING FOR A HOUSESITTER

We are looking for a house sitter in May. The dates are May 14th (Wednesday) through mid day on the 18th (Sunday). We have a sweet, older dog that needs looked after and walked, and some garden plants and seedlings that will need watering. Jason and I live in the River Road neighborhood, very close to the river bike path and have a comfortable, clean house for you to stay in. We can offer money or trade to the right person or persons. For trade, I can offer a Yoga Therapy session, Reiki or an Ayurvedic Consultation. Please give us a call at (541) 607-9576 or email if you are interested or pass the info to someone that might be interested. Thank you!! Blessings, Kaverii, Jason, and the brown dog, Sugar

ROOM FOR RENT

I have a bedroom & 1/2 bath available to share in my GREEN, ECO-CONSCIOUS home on Willamette River bike path. Room has wood floors, direct sun, & pleasant view. I am a clean, tidy, organized, health conscious, considerate, respectful, employed woman, seeking female roommate with similarities to share this beautiful 2BR, 1 & 1/2 bath. Washer/dryer, dishwasher, pretty yard, space for planting and patio, on-premise parking. 5 min. walk to path, on bus line, 10 min. drive to downtown, walking distance to vegetarian buffet, shopping and 2nd hand stores. Cool neighborhood!! Close to fitness center with very inexpensive daily usage fee -\$2.50. \$350 + 1/2 utilities, no smokers, or drug users. Will consider female, indoor cat. Call Sandra @ 689-0090 for more information. I'm a Growers member.

NINTH ANNUAL MILLION MOM MARCH

For Family/School Gun Safety and World Peace. Mothers Day, Sunday May 11, 2008, 2:30 PM, EWEB Plaza 500 East 4th Avenue. Grand Marshall: Betty Taylor and her dog Toby, www.teamworkforchildren.org. Speaker: Kathryn Henderson -- school solutions and non-

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violence through education. Bagpiper: Wylie McKinnon.
Music: by Hokoyo Mirimba Band.
Contact: Elizabeth Steffensen, mmm@efn.org, 541-344-9343

CHILD OF WONDER RELEASE PARTY!

You are cordially invited to celebrate Wonder with us! Come dance to the music of The Sugar Beets and celebrate the release of the new book Child of Wonder! This is a family show in honor of wonder! Bring your kids, your friends, and your mama (the next day is Mother's day!) Need more info about the book? Go to thewondercollection.com. Books will be for sale (and signed) for anyone who wants them. The first forty children to arrive will receive a Child of Wonder t-shirt! FREE event at Cozmic Pizza/The Strand, 8th and Charnelton, Saturday, May 10th, 7PM

OPEN HOUSE FOR DOULAS SUPPORTING TEENS

Douglas Supporting Teens' Fifth Anniversary Open House is May 15th! Come by our office, upstairs in the Growers Market Building (454 Willamette), anytime between 3:30-6:30pm to see our new expanded space, learn more about what we do, and meet some of the young families we have had the pleasure of serving. We'll have yummy appetizers from Ring of Fire and Soriah's! Bring a friend! See you there, Iris Bicklser, Douglas Supporting Teens 344.1091, www.doulassupportingteens.org

CURRENT STATUS OF PUBLIC WORKS HERBICIDE USE IN LANE COUNTY

After a four years of not using herbicides, the Lane County Board of Commissioners in their capacity as the Board of Health recently took comments regarding the Department of Public Works request to use herbicides along county roadsides. The official comment period ended March 10, and by my tally as listed on the website, there were 42 comments generally in favor of the herbicide use plan and 96 opposed. In addition 213 petition signatures were submitted opposing herbicide use.

Individual responses supporting herbicides were often favoring very limited applications such as spraying the most invasive weeds. Government agencies also submitted support including the BLM, Army Corp., several eastern Oregon counties, Oregon Department of Agriculture and employees, Oregon Dept. of Fish and Wildlife, as well as employees of Oregon State Univ. and timber companies or their representatives.

Those opposed to herbicide use were mainly individuals. Groups listed on the website as opposed to the Public Works plan were Lane County Public Health Advisory

Committee, Oregon Toxics Alliance, Cascadia Ecosystems Alliance, and the Northwest Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides (NCAP). NCAP thought the 2008 plan was premature, without specificity about details such as alternatives to herbicides tried. Petition signatures were gathered from individuals and meetings including Health Care for All, Lane County Beekeepers Assn., the local chapter of the North American Butterfly Assn., and the Grower's Market.

The Public Works roadside manager announced at the April advisory committee meeting that he would discontinue plans to use herbicides this year. The Commissioners have not yet made a decision whether or not to approve the use of herbicides in the future.

While the official comment period has ended, citizens are always encouraged to contact elected officials, county staff, and VMAC regarding their concerns. --Michael Koivola and Jan Nelson, members, Lane County Vegetative Management Advisory Committee (VMAC)

DRY GOODS NOTES

OG Coconut Oil is out for a while. Charlie at Hummingbird is trying to find a substitute oil. The usual supply is hung up in customs. No more Marantha Peanut Butter. We may have one more supplier soon. Many many many thanks to Michael for all his years of service to our Market, our Community. Michael has taken care of more loose ends than I can count. He often helped me with ordering glitches on Mondays with me calling in a panic. He has always been a solid calming influence for me and the Market.. So Michael, be well, be happy and don't be a stranger! Sue

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 9:30 to noon and 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 Growers Market: 687-1145

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