

Today's Highlights, April 2, 2011

- Hippy New Year! Welcome Back!!
- Welcome New Staff Members & New Marketeers!
- On Facebook? Join our Member Group!
- Unclassifieds, Weather, Meetings and more on the other side!

SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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Saturday Market

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From Beth

My sincerest welcome home to everyone. Good work getting here this morning! You work so hard just to get to the park blocks. You channeled your creative energy into a real thing, something that is more than you expected, more than we expected.

We are here because we want to live life on our own terms. We are driven to communicate through artistic expression. We want to surround ourselves with a community that will nurture and support our inspiration.

You belong here. We will stand together through this year, side by side, rain and shine. We will share the highs and lows. We will welcome others to share in the community that we are dedicated to maintaining.

Allow yourself to celebrate the colors, music, weather and all the elements that are The Saturday Market. Welcome home.

Have a lovely Saturday.

-Beth

Fire Extinguishers

We know that you remembered your freshly updated fire extinguisher this morning. Please be prepared for a visit from the Fire Marshal this morning some time around 10 AM. Have your fire extinguisher accessible, and any necessary fire-retardant documentation you might have about your booth materials. If your extinguisher is missing the pin or the tie for the pin, we have extras at the Info Booth. Thanks.

Lawn Repair Time!

The wintery weather of Spring has caused delays in the annual lawn re-seeding on the Park Blocks. Park Blocks Facilities Goddess Rochelle reports that we will have to stay off the lawns for a few weeks to keep them healthy and green all season long. Thanks for being aware!

Welcome New Market Staff

Today we welcome some new members to the Saturday Market team. Kimberly and Erich are joining Beth, Vi, Sandy and Kriss in the Info Booth. Colton, Bryan and John

are joining Evam, Izzy, Justin and Joey on the site crew. Craig, Ben, Zack and Theodore are our new compost sorting team. Welcome, everybody!

Gift Certificates

We've revamped our gift certificates over the winter. Now they are beautiful, rainbow colorful, machine numbered, and all worth \$10 each. If a customer wants to use one or several at your booth, treat them like cash, give change as needed, then redeem it at the Info Booth. Of course the old style gift certificates will always be honored as well.

Market Members Facebook Group

We recently started a Facebook Group for Market Members. It's already been a great place for folks to share Market related info, resources and general Facebook friendliness. It's a "closed" group. That means when you join and participate in the group, your posts and comments go only to the other group members, not all of your FB friends. If you are a FB member, just search for "Eugene Saturday Market Members" and click the request to join.

Attention, Tech Savvy Marketeers!

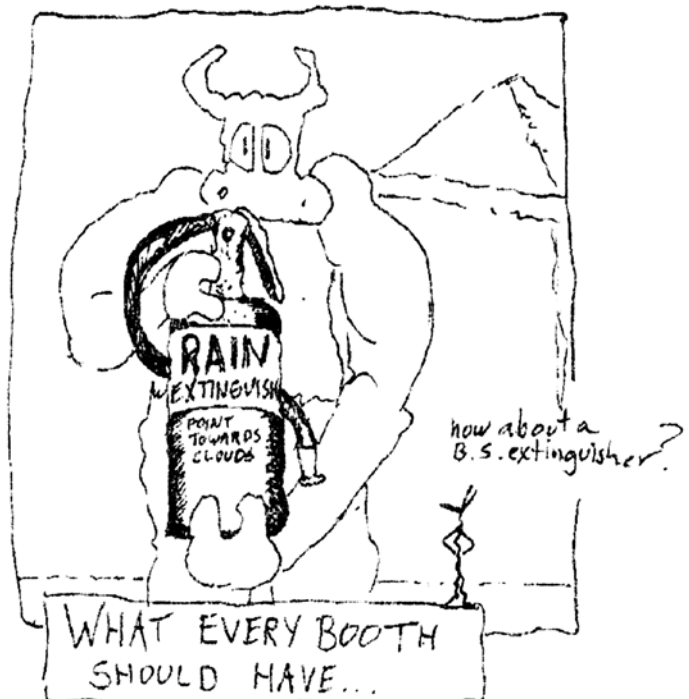
The Saturday Market community has been invited to help test a new American Express product called Serve—an innovative way to make payments through smart phones (Android or iPhone) and iPads. Eugene was hand-picked as the only city in the country for Serve's pilot program and we think it could be a great way for Marketeers to explore new ways to accept payments for goods and – ultimately – make more sales.

Serve is looking to help any members

interested in trying out the new technology with customers at the Market. The kick off day is Saturday, April 23, and they will have a tent near our main info booth the following three Saturdays at the Market to provide education and assistance to vendors and customers who want to give Serve a try. During this time, you'll hear and see ads for Serve helping to promote the Market in local newspapers and radio stations.

To sweeten the deal a bit, the Serve team is offering any customers who open up a Serve account at the Market an instant \$10 to spend at the Market. If you decide to open an account, you'll be able to let people know that you're accepting Serve – and get access to that extra cash floating around! You do not need to own a smart phone or iPad yourself to participate.

The goal of the pilot program is to help Serve see the product in action and get feedback from you and your customers. We will have updates on our Facebook group page, and will hold an orientation session in mid April for those who want to be ready to go on the 23rd. If this sounds like something you can use to boost business, please contact Kim or Beth for more information.



The Market Corner



Happy Birthday to seamster DeCarlo yesterday, bead worker Shari

Smith tomorrow, jeweler Brandy Crye, fiber artist Dibra Gwinn and photographer/jeweler Steven Tucker on Sunday, jeweler Kirk Houser, crochet artist Kimberly Gladen and Saritza's Marielena Malagon on Tuesday, and seamstress Sandra Evans and jeweler Jeff Wilson on Wednesday!!

We are sad to report the passing of several Market folks over the winter. Jack Harnsongkram of the Bangkok Grill, pewter artist Steven Omilinski, wood carver Jack Finger and drum maker Steve Gelman will all be missed by the Market family.

We are happy to welcome Enala Hazel Myers into the Market family! She is the new daughter of Eric and Tabitha Myers, born on Dec. 30.

The Oregon Country Fair Spring Fling raffle is a fundraiser for Culture Jam, the Fair's wildly successful camp for teens. You can help send a youth to camp by donating a raffle prize. Please call or e-mail norma at 541-343-4298 or office@oregoncountryfair.org to make arrangements. Raffle tickets are for sale at Sue Theolass' candle booth #321.

The Kareng Fund is the Saturday Market's vendor emergency fund. You can make a tax-deductible donation of any size any time, just specify your donation on the front of your payment envelope. Thanks!

Unclassifieds

To place your free unclassified, bring it to the info booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday afternoon, or e-mail to kimstill@eugenestaturdaymarket.org, put "newsletter" in the subject line.

Free standing, rotatable wire card rack, white with 4 columns of 15 spaces each, 69" tall. \$100 o.b.o. Dennis, 541-343-2941. (4/2)

Vigor buffing machine for sale. Polishing, Dust, Lighted, Collector. 1/3 HP, 1 ph, 115 v, 7.3 amp. with filter. In like new condition. Barely used. \$250. see Jeff Allen or email us kjallen@efn.org (4/2)

Ritta's April Quesadilla Special: Baked yams seasoned with chipotle peppers, layered with grilled onions, red peppers, jack and cheddar cheese. All this grilled between two wheat tortillas. Served with sour cream, salsa and tortilla chips. Yum! (4/2)

Room for rent, \$300, with possible extra room for crafting. 180 N. McKinley. Call Frank Cardoza, 541-688-0260 or fcardoza696@gmail.com. (4/2)

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I only used this 8x8 set-up a few times. The panels are pristine clean. Four beige tab top panels to fit an 8 x 8 booth, \$75.00. Pipe frame and anchor bases, \$50.00. Full length swivel greeting card holder, \$15.00. Wooden swivel card or small picture holder, \$10.00. Sold separately or together. Located in Veneta. Reply to frank@wabiworks.com or 541.935.7302 (4/2)

Lampwork bead sale. 1 day only, today, April 2! Flamewrangler Glass, booth #190. (4/2)

The Oregon Healthy Kids program provides no or low cost insurance for children. To speak with a local Healthy Kids representative, please contact (541)682-6509. (4/2)

Cascade Medical Team will be offering a free medical and dental care clinic for uninsured folks on April 16-17 at PeaceHealth, 1162 Wilamette, 8 AM - 5 PM on a first come/first served basis. For more info, www.cmt-oregon.org. (4/2)

For Rent: Cozy 2 bedroom house with artists studio in Eco-Village/ Permaculture Project. Shared yard, greenhouse, gardens, chickens, shared chores. Electric heat, W&D hookups, storage, high speed internet, Whiteaker neighborhood. \$795.00./Mo. + utilities. Bee-keeping experience a plus. Move in costs include 1st + last + deposits. No smoking on property. No pets. Available first week of May. (541) 683-0626. www.art-trekinc.com/possum-place/ (4/2)

Weather

Pay no attention to this forecast! Occasional showers. High near 50. West wind between 8 and 13 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph. Chance of precipitation is 80%.

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On the Market Stage

- 10:00 AM **Chip Cohen** -fiddler fantastique
- 11:00 AM **Rich Glauber** -music in action!
- 12:00 PM **Acoustic Etouffee** -swamp stompin' fun
- 1:00 PM **Accordions Anonymous** -12 steps to accordion awareness
- 2:00 PM **The Conjugal Visitors** -Cascadia's finest Appalachian twang
- 3:30 PM **Zambuko** -sunny marimbas

Committee Meetings

- Board of Directors**
Wednesday, April 6, 5:15 PM
Agenda: debrief season opening
- Standards Committee**
Wednesday, April 20 after screening
Agenda: Jewelry standard
- Standards Screenings**
April 6 & 20, 4 PM
- Holiday Market Committee**
Weds, April 13, 5 PM
Agenda: dates & officers' election

Sustainability Committee
Weds, April 27, 3 PM

Food Committee
Weds, April 13, 1 PM

Kareng Fund Committee
Tues, May 3, 3 PM
Agenda: TBA

Board of Directors Election
Saturday, June 11

All meetings take place at the Market Office, 76 W. Broadway, Eugene unless otherwise indicated. All are welcome!

Credit Card Sales

Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover & American Express. Send your customer to the Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip (avail at Info Booth). Your check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be ready on Wednesday at noon at the office or mailed at the end of the day Wednesday.

THE SATURDAY MARKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Chairperson - Will Gibboney • Vice Chairperson - Alley Valkyrie • Secretary - Diane McWhorter • Treasurer - Lynn Brown • Ritta Dreier, Teri Gutierrez, Kathleen Houghton, David Lee, Owen VanHooser, Deb Schussler, Alex Lanham, (alternate)
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