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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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From JJ

Good Morning Saturday Market Members!

As many of you know, you are all a part of this wonderful Membership Organization and your voice counts! For those of you who do not know the process, all of your committees, task forces, and the Board of Directors are made up of your fellow Members. These volunteers keep everyone in mind while crafting policy. There are times when Members feel that their point of view was not considered while important decisions were being made. These decisions are not made to hurt anyone; sometimes our volunteers do not know the experiences of other Market Members. If there is an issue that you feel needs to be addressed, or if there is a current policy that you think may be outdated or unfair, please reach out to us. There are several options for this. You can send an email to any committee through the info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org e-mail address. You can send mail to any committee at our office at 30 E. Broadway St. 124, Eugene, OR 97401. Except for the Budget and Personnel committees, which are Board appointed and confidential, you can attend any meeting that we have.

A couple of weeks ago we asked for feedback on canceling the last market in November. We received over 50 responses, and those will help guide the Board in their decision. I am thrilled that so many Members let us know how they felt about this issue.

Friendly reminder for this week: The Info Booth staff heads back to the office at 4:30pm. They are both taking payments and breaking down the booth from 4:00pm - 4:30pm. The credit card machines need to be cleared out and processed, so they cannot accept credit card slips after the Market closes. Please keep this in mind at the end of the day if you use this service.

I hope you all have a lovely, prosperous day!

JJ

“No! Try not! Do or do not, there is no try”
-Yoda, The Empire Strikes Back

Helpful Tips from AJ

We are off to a great start for our 53rd season of Saturday Market. Here are some helpful tips to make your market payments or envelopes are correct for the office at the end of the day.

1. Please make your checks payable to Saturday Market. Also, sign your check before putting it into your envelope.
2. Please write your name on your envelope before you hand it in to the info booth. Write in print and write legibly to avoid errors. We are happy to help you fill out your envelope at the info booth.
3. Double check the money count in the envelope when you pay with cash. Seal the envelope if you include coins.
4. When you pay for a past market using your current envelope, please write the market date and amount on the envelope. Feel free to use the white space on the envelope when paying multiple fees all at once. The more details you provide the better.
5. Drop off your envelopes at the South Park Info Booth before 4:30pm. Once we are packed up, we won’t be able to write you a receipt. If you want a receipt for your market, the please allow some time to stand in line and wait before 4:30pm.

Mother’s Day Giveaway

Great news! We are bringing back the Mother’s Day Giveaway this year, WOOHOO! We will hold the Giveaway at the stage on May 7th. Anyone can enter their names, including Members, but please remember that this is a Giveaway for your customers. One entry per person per time slot is allowed. We will announce the names at 12pm, 1pm and 2pm at the stage. You must be present to win.

Please bring your donations for the Giveaway to the Info Booth with a note saying it’s for the Giveaway. You can also drop them off at the office during the week. All donations for the Giveaway must be received by 11am on Saturday, May 7th.

Mother’s Day and Founder’s Day are beautiful days at the Market where we celebrate those extraordinary women in our lives. We are so happy to bring it back after two years off.

Consider Running for the Board of Directors!

It’s time to consider running for the Market’s Board of Directors. Election day is June 4th. Three eighteen month positions will be open. Deadline for candidate statements is Wednesday, May 25th. You must attend one Board meeting in the 12 months before the election. The next Board Meeting is June 7th at 5:15-7:15 p.m. at the Market Office.

Sustainability Corner

One of the things I missed the most (at market) during the past two years, was pad that from the Bangkok Grill in the food court. This may seem silly, but I have eaten it every Saturday since opening day. It is a true comfort food for me and helps to keep my spirits up. So a big thank you to all the food vendors who have returned! In honor of them, this week I want to share food-inspired steps for sustainability.

Step 1. When cooking, make extra so you have leftovers. You will use your appliances less because you are making two meals instead of one. You can always freeze leftovers in reusable containers if you don’t eat them right away. Try bringing your own take home containers for leftovers when eating out. Experiment with freezing your ingredients so you can get by eating an extra meal on Saturday to eat later that week. It might translate into one less trip out during the week for food, saving gas and resources. It also means more sales for our food vendors and market!

Step 2. I know this is old news, but it is still really important to buy locally produced and organic food whenever possible. Locally produced food is transported less, saving fuel, and keeps more of our money in the community. Organically grown (no sprays or chemicals are good options) food means less chemicals in our bodies and environment. The farmer’s market is a perfect place to achieve both things. I can’t wait for the farmer’s market to be across the street again! It will be so easy to grab locally and organically grown produce (and honey, plants, etc.) to take home, saving me a trip to the store.

Step 3. Try growing something. Even if you don’t have a yard, try a patio garden by putting plants in pots. Some things can grow inside your home too. Growing food or flowers is one of the best feel good options. Locally produced food is transported less, saving fuel, and keeps more of our money in the community. Organically grown (no sprays or chemicals are good options) food means less chemicals in our bodies and environment. The farmer’s market is a perfect place to achieve both things. I can’t wait for the farmer’s market to be across the street again! It will be so easy to grab locally and organically grown produce (and honey, plants, etc.) to take home, saving me a trip to the store.

In next week’s article, I will begin a Featured Artist section. Our first artist makes up-cycled products that can help your household move closer to becoming zero waste. Check it out next Saturday to learn more, and please e-mail me at: goosehillgifts@gmail.com if you would like to be featured next! You can also e-mail me if you need a shout out for any recycled/repurposed materials you need for your art. Don’t forget to join the Eugene Saturday Market Repurposing page on Facebook to join a bigger conversation.

Sincerely,
Brigitte McBride
Goosehill Gifts
Space #115

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The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy April birthday to lemonade gourmet Loren Tritton on Sunday, ceramic/pottery artist Hannah Themann on Tuesday, fiber artist Susan Edwards on Wednesday, clothing and accessories artist Diane McWhorter and lapidary artist Michael Whitehorse on Thursday, and mixed media artist Parr O’Connor on Friday.

A very happy birthday to you all. We hope this is your best year yet!

The Kareng Fund

The Kareng Fund is an emergency relief fund set up to help low-income, self-employed artisans in Oregon who experience a career threatening crisis. You can make a donation any time in your envelope at the end of the day. Please “round up” your fees or donate in the line provided. You can also donate directly on the website: http://www.karengfund.org/

The Fund participates in the Amazon Smile program. Just go to smile.amazon.com and search for “Kareng Fund.” Once you select it, all of your purchases will help your fellow artisans in need.

The website is the best place to file an application for a grant. If you are not in a crisis, try the micro-loan program at Community Lending Works, which partners with the Kareng Fund to help with building up supplies or paying fees. Here is a link: https://communitylendingworks.org/

Thank you all for your generosity and continuing compassion for your neighbors and friends in the artisan community.

Credit Card Sales

Saturday Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover, and American Express. Send your customer to the South Park Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip.

Your check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be MAILLED on Wednesday. Call the office if you would like to pick up your check.

We will not put Visa checks into Reserve members’ envelopes.

Reminder: You cannot charge your customers a fee or increase the cost of your product by a percentage for paying with a credit card. You can offer a cash discount instead.

Attention 4x4 Booth Folks

If you are planning on selling in a 4x4, please wait until you have your space assigned before putting your booth and product in. You must move your car after you have unloaded your booth. Do not place your chairs in the street. Thanks!

UnClassifieds

To place your free unclassified, bring it to the Info Booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday at noon, or e-mail it to us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with “NEWSLETTER” in the subject.

Gridwalls with Matching Baskets (free):
Eight (8) perfect gridwalls and six (6) matching baskets to GIVE away. All are in perfect condition. Some hat attachments are also available. They are stored in a cargo trailer in Eugene. Though I live in California, I plan to be in Oregon during the first week in May 2022. Contact Jane Dawson at 707-223-6003.

Wood Display Pedestals for sale: Total of 7 painted black pedestals, all bases are 7.5” square, and tops are 5.5” square. There all vary in height as follows: 5.5, 6.5, 7.5, 8.5, 9, 10.5 & 11.5 inches tall. Used in the past for displaying turned wooden bowls, but will work for many different items. This sale includes a green felt covered, angled board 16” long x 4.5” wide. No partial sales, whole lot $50.00. Located in the Corvallis area, but willing to meet you somewhere between Eugene & Corvallis. Call/text Heidi at 541-740-2412.

Saturday Market Check-In

Let’s get our 53rd season started right by remembering the process of getting into your spaces.

- Reserve Members must claim their space by 4pm on the Thursday before you sell. Call us at 541-686-8885 or e-mail info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org to claim your space. You don’t need to contact us if you don’t plan to sell.
- Reserve Members can check in for future Markets; however, you must contact us no later than 8:15am on Saturday if you can’t sell that day.
- Reserve Members that don’t sell on a day they have claimed will be held responsible for the $15 booth fee.
- Reserve members must pick up their envelopes at the Info Booth no later than 8:30am. If your envelope has not been picked up, then we assume you are not selling and reassign your space.
- All members using the Waiting List must check in at the Info Booth no later than 8:30am as usual.

Saturday Market Social Life!

Follow along with The Saturday Market on the website and through social media. Share your content to get included and reach a new audience!

Facebook: facebook.com/EugeneSaturdayMarket
Twitter / Instagram: @SaturdayMarket

We’re also on Pinterest, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr, & more.

Weather

The good news this weekend is it won’t rain all day. With a 70% chance of rain, you will see occasional showers early with spots of wetness in the afternoon. The high should be around 56° with WSW winds around 5 - 10 mph. Have a wonderful day!}

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM Lil Screechin Jimmeeeee! 60s Variety
11:00 AM Craig Einhorn Singer/Songwriter
12:00 PM Olem & Micah Acoustic, Rock, Americana, Blues
1:00 PM Sugar Pine High Energy Roots & Bluegrass
2:30 PM Amy Jones Blues and Energizing Jazz

Committee Meetings

Standards Screenings
Exhibit Wed., May 4th - 4:15 PM
-New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
Board Meeting
Wed., May 4th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
Standards Screenings
Wed., May 18th - 4:15 PM
-New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
Standards Committee
Wed., May 18th - 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
Holiday Market Committee
Thurs., May 19th - 2 PM

All meetings take place at the Market Office and virtually with Zoom.

All are welcome!

THE SATURDAY MARKET BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS
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