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**M.V.P. Message**

**Can My Family Member Earn Points for Me?**

Hello everyone. It has come to the attention of the Standards Committee that there is a discrepancy in how points are distributed to family members in a single economic unit and how often you can have a family member from a single economic unit sell for you if they have no involvement in the making of the product.

The Standards Committee meeting on Wednesday May 18th at 5:15 p.m. will be entirely devoted to this issue and hopefully coming to a consensus on a dynamic for selling for a family member and will include whether you’re just selling for them for economic reasons, for income to live, or include getting a point for that person that isn’t there in-person on the park blocks.

This meeting will be available to all members on Zoom. Our Staff is asking that only committee members and board members be in the office for this meeting. If you wish to attend this meeting please email or call the office to be put on the list to receive the Zoom information.

All are welcome to write and email your letter to the office to be read at the meeting. The two discussions at the meeting will be …

1. Having a person of the same economic unit sell for you.
2. Can that person of the same economic unit get a point for you when you’re not present on the Park Blocks.

Your Standards Committee welcomes Member input. That’s what makes us special!

Sincerely,

your Standard Committee co-chairs, Teresa Pitzer and Gary Becker

**Sustainability Corner**

Last week, I featured Amelia Mae’s zero waste (98%) business. Her Tinkle Towels and other products can help people work their own way to becoming zero waste. This week, I want to explore what zero waste can look like for a household or business. Let’s start with some definitions. Wikipedia defines zero waste as, “a set of principles focused on waste prevention that encourages the redesign of resource life cycles so that all products are reused. The goal is for no trash to be sent to landfills, incinerators or the ocean.” The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) updated their definition in 2018 to, “the conservation of all resources by means of responsible production, consumption, reuse, and recovery of products, packaging, and materials without burning and with no discharges to land, water, or air that threaten the environment or human health.”

Ask yourself, can I compost, recycle or reuse (includes repurposing) every component of what I am buying? Maybe a different product has packaging that can be recycled or reused instead of thrown away. I bought a comforter for my father’s birthday this week at a local department store, and most of them were packaged in thick plastic-sealed bags. Fortunately, I found and purchased one wrapped with one velcro strap and a piece of cardboard. I can probably reuse the strap, and I recycled the cardboard. Even with little things like tea bags, there are choices to make. Try to buy ones without plastic packaging, a staple or tag, then you can put the whole thing in the compost. Here are some more examples: use reusable, wool dryer balls instead of dryer sheets, put whatever paper products you can into compost, use Tinkle Towels instead of toilet paper, find a place that will take soft plastic and styrofoam to recycle (I take all my soft plastic to my local WinCo), and bring your own containers and buy in bulk whenever possible. The list goes on and on.

I was really impressed with Amelia’s accomplishment as 98% zero waste because I worked my way to that same point with my former business, Earth & Sea Salts. When I made Earth & Sea Salts, I used glass jars that could be returned, reused, or recycled. I bought wholesale produce that came in cardboard boxes or shoppers at the farmer’s market. I also grew a lot of my own herbs.

The company I bought my jars from fortunately switched from using styrofoam peanuts to ones made from corn that I could compost. I even rinsed and recycled the large plastic bag that my salt came in! This was a process that took time, but it wasn’t hard to do. If you want to work towards becoming zero waste, I think starting with small choices is less intimidating and, therefore, you are more likely to follow through with baby steps. Would you like to learn more ideas with us? Send them to me in an email: gooseshillgifts@gmail.com

Sincerely,

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The Market Corner

A Berry Happy Birthday to all our Spring babies! Glassbabies Carol of Glassbabies and David W. of Winship Designs celebrate with mini-gardener Clair on May 7th. Conrad the metalsmith celebrated on May 8th, followed by Caroline of Well Dunn Illustrations on the 9th. Teresa the Phantass-tie jeweler partied on the 10th, and a wild Kathy emerged on May 12th followed by Mary of Terrapin Toys on the 13th. Divination expert and Taurus Aruna celebrates her birthday today, May 14th!

Fun fact: David M. of LEVZ Jewelry and David H. of Stained Views have birthdays on May 15th. Woodmaster David B, Elise the ceramist, and Kate the beadmaker (who is turning 21 this year) also share a birthday on the 16th. Dave of Whistle Post Pottery will be partying on the 17th, followed by Moon the jeweler and fiber artist Kaulean on the 18th. Angela of K Finntails, April the soap maker, and leathermaster Daniel will be unwrapping presents on the 19th. Last, but certainly not least, Eldridge the wooden spoon wizard celebrates his birthday on the 20th!

A very happy birthday to you all. We hope you have a glorious year!

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@eugenesaturdaysaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject. ______

New Marketing Gal

Hi! My name is Renee Thompson and I will be the Eugene Saturday Market’s new Marketing Assistant. I’ve been visiting the Saturday Market since I was in middle school, and I am beyond excited to help out and get to know all the amazing vendors in the market.

I was born in Las Vegas, NV, and moved to Eugene in 2018. Last year, I graduated with two degrees from U.O., one in Advertising and another in Psychology. I have a cat named Rascal and a leopard gecko named Jim. When I’m not working I love to cook, garden, read, and make art.

If you ever need social media tips, website advice, or anything else, please feel free to reach me at the office or send me an email: renee@eugenesaturdaysaturdaymarket.org. Heart Handshakes, Renee

Saturday Market Check-In

Please remember 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@eugenesaturdaysaturdaymarket.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 8:30am 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 Pinterst, Yelp, TripAdvisor, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr, & more.

Weather

The high today is 65°F with a low of 51°F, and a 49% chance of drizzles. Clouds and light showers are expected for the morning, per usual Oregon Spring standards. But, if we all take a moment and wish for sunlight, the projected morning showers just might cease around noon. Rain gear is recommended, since a breeze of 10mph has also been forecasted.

Sales, 0 sales, sales I hope!

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM Dharmika
Good Green Fun!

11:00 AM Eddy Delbridge
Acoustic Rock and Roots

12:00 PM Peter Almeida
Roots Rock Singer/Songwriter

1:00 PM Joe Manis Trio
Jazz

2:30 PM Dubious Rubes
Tie-Dye Rock ‘n Roll

Committee Meetings

Orientation and Screenings
Weds., May 11th
- New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:15 PM

Standards Committee
Weds., May 18th – 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee
Thurs., May 19th – 2 PM

Orientation and Screenings
Weds., June 1st
- New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
- Product Screening @ 4:15 PM

Board of Directors
Weds., June 1st – 5:15 PM - 7:15 PM
All meetings take place at the Market Office and virtually with Zoom.

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS
Chairperson - Anna Lawrence
Vice Chairperson - Will Gibbons
Secretary - Diane McWhorter
Treasurer - Corney Feller
Sarah Baut, Gary Becker, Shannon Lee-Hutson, Vincent LaRochelle, Nome May, Damian McDonald, Belah Zahn-Kummer.

Committee Chairs
Standards Committee Co-Chairs: Gary Becker, Teresa Pinter

Food Committee Co-Chairs: Colleen Busman, Janet Rosenberg

Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs: Mary Newell

Sustainability Committee Co-Chairs: Denise Gosar, Anna Lawrence

Staff
General Manager – JJ Snyder
Site Ops Supervisor - Dave Welch
Membership Services – AJ Jackson
Membership Assistant - Sonia Ostendorf
Marketing Assistant – Renee Thompson
Stage Manager – Jimmy Haggard

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