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Saturday Market



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From the Office

Howdy everyone, we hop that you are doing well during this transitional phase in our history. We would like to express the need for patience, compassion, honesty, and empathy. Sonia and Renee are trying their best to make sure all emails and phone calls are answered, but with their new workload, they will require more time than usual to respond back. AJ and JJ have dedicated several years to this organization, and many of you feel that loss. Know that they are still cheering you on, and that they wish the best for all of us.

If you are interested in helping out, or have questions/concerns during this time, please feel free to reach out to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with the subject of "Interested Volunteer." In addition to this, please check in with each other. Some of our members may need help setting up or tearing down on market days (helping these members also greatly helps site-crew), while others may need a refresher on how to participate in meetings (which are always available on Zoom, and you are free to send letters to). Other members and site-crew members may just need a friendly face. There is no need to get out of your comfort zone, but if you happen to have time, we would greatly appreciate a helping hand.

Additionally, we will be having more tourists this month due to Oregon Country Fair and the World Athletic Championships, so we recommend that you all take precautions. You can wear masks while at market, bring hand sanitizer, and do a daily symptom check. It is important that we all do our best to stay healthy and happy.

Happy Selling!
Your Office Staff

"A kind act can sometimes be as powerful as a sword"
- Rick Riordan, *The Battle of the Labyrinth*

From Your Board of Directors

Hello all, this is Shannon Lee-Hutson, your newly elected Chairperson, and Nome May, your new Vice-Chair. This recent staff turnover is a huge wake up call to us as a member lead organization. At the June 29th board meeting, we created the Living-Wage Task Force. This task force will be actively working with the Budget Committee on wage increases for all our remaining staff, and will present their recommendations to the Board of Directors at the next board meeting in August.

To keep being a viable enterprise, we need to do more and pay our staff more. Another thing we can all do to keep the market healthy is to give some time to the market's governance. We are a member volunteer run organization, and we rely on market people to serve on the Board of Directors, Committees, and Task Forces, as well as Holiday Market volunteer shifts. In 2023, we will need to raise more income to pay our staff, probably through booth fee increases. Let's also encourage new members to become involved with the volunteer efforts that make market happen.

It looks like magic that the market appears every Saturday. Behind the scenes are the hard working site crew, the tireless office staff, and the generous market members who serve on the board and other committees, and the honest remittance of our booth fees plus 10%.

During these recent weird years, the market has been so cohesive and cooperative. We have been kind to each other. We have welcomed new members, and set our booths up in all weather. We all have a stake in keeping market successful. The next few months will be a time of transition. Let us be extra patient with our staff and each other. Let us be compassionate to our staff and each other, and listen with open hearts. Let us be respectful to each other as we navigate change. We all have the same idea- a happy and healthy market.

Your co-chairs,

Shannon Lee-Hutson, B.O.D. Chair
and
Nome May, B.O.D. Vice-Chair

M.V.P. Message

Member. Volunteer. Partner.

How Rumors Hurt

Hello everyone. This article is my opinion alone. It also happens that I am one of the Co-Chairs of the Standards Committee so I put in some of what we will be doing in the Standards Committee. I know at this point in time we are in a moment a flux and there are conflicting, worrying and crazy conversations. I want all members to know that we will continue adding new members for Holiday Market and Saturday Market. Just because the deadlines have been extended doesn't mean that we will not have a full Holiday Market.

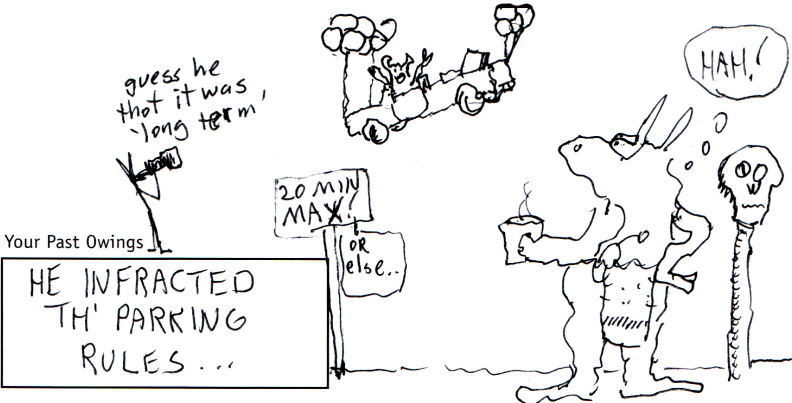
If you have a new product for either Market catch us on the Park Blocks on a Saturday morning or send in an email with your new product and the Product Screening Form from the website (under Helpful Member Links). It will get to us and we will screen your new product. We will be upping the number of new people screened, actually we have to get in everybody we need for Holiday Market.

In the face of all of the disorder please remember that underneath it is order. We have done this for 52 years now and this happens. We lose staff, we gain staff. We will persevere and survive. If you hear rumors please keep them to yourself and don't pass them along as gossip. At this point please assume that what you're hearing may not be the actual truth. Remember that telephone game as a child, when you whispered in somebody's ear something and they whispered it to the next person and so on. And at the end it really had no likeness of what it started as. Also remember we are like a very, very large family. And in that family you may hear that Aunt Nelly is drinking. What you don't understand is that what Aunt Nelly is drinking is Ensure. So please be really careful about what information you pass on to someone else.

We are strong. We are eclectic. And we will use these skills to persevere. Know that your Board, Committees and long, long time members are stepping up to fill in any gaps that there may be. Things are going to be different, but the difference isn't bad. The market has changed and evolved in its 52 years and we're still here and we will be here for the future. So, "don't worry, be happy."

Teresa Pitzer
Teresa's Phantasmagoria
Standards Committee Co-Chair

If you would like to submit an article for the M.V.P. Message column, please submit it via email to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org by noon each Wednesday.



Cowtoons by Willy Gibboney



The Market Corner

Happy Birthday to all our summer friends! Matty the potter celebrated his birthday Sunday, June 26th. Tim from Upland Word and Colleen from Middle Heart Creations partied it up on Thursday, June 30th. Abby Rose the jeweler celebrated her birth on Friday, July 1st. Kiyoti of Golden Kiyoti and Trevor of Die High Enterprises celebrate their birthday today!

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



If you don't see your birthday, please let us know.

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 microloan 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.

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.

OCF Helper Sought!

Help sell cool clothing in exchange for a camping pass. One of my helpers has had to cancel last minute, due to health reasons, and I am hoping to find a replacement. Looking for a quick learner, who is reliable, and takes directions well. Be willing to rock something I make while working 3.5 hours a day. I'll be at market today. Diana at Dancing Tree. (541) 344-9073.

Like New Pro Panels for Sale

7ft. original style, dark grey Pro Panels for sale. 10 in all for 10x10 booth. Six are 7ft. 38in. and four are 7ft. x 24in. Included are 9 anchor hangers w/ hooks, 3 adjustable support bars. 4 straight stiffeners with 1 L stiffener, also a dozen velcro straps. Bought for \$1600.00. Sell for \$1200.00 OBO. Only used about 10 times. Will be difficult and expensive to ship so suggest local pickup or I could drive part of the way. For more details call Shaun: (714) 369-0522.

Sell at Eugene Pagan Pride Day

If you are interested in selling at Eugene Pagan Pride on Aug. 7th, please email Sarah at: sarahbaststudio@gmail.com. For more details about the event please email Sarah or visit: www.eugenepaganpride.org

From Renee

Hey everyone! As a reminder we will be accepting completed Peace Rocks until July 16th, but we will be placing rocks as early as July 10th. If you are interested in painting a rock, feel free to stop by the Info Booth and grab a few. If you would like to help in the hiding of the rocks, please let me know.

Also, if you are a new member and have not gotten a New Member shout-out online please send me an email. I know that there may be a few members who started after Vanessa left and before I came in, and we want to make sure to document your first season with us.

As always if you have any questions you are all more than welcome to email me at: renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

Happy Posting!
Renee

Weather

The sun has decided to show itself again! Saturday, is expected to be very sunny, with some clouds. The high today is 81°F with a low of 51°F. A wind of 5mph is expected from the North northwest, with possible gusts up to 10mph. Be sure to drink lots of water and bring some coverage (a hat, sunglasses, and/or an umbrella).



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3, 1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM **Janet Naylor & Linda Daneilson**

Irish & Scottish: Harp & Fiddle

11:00 AM **Barrie Dempsey**

Award-Winning Singer/Songwriter

12:00 PM **Jeremy Clark Pruitt**

Singer/Songwriter

1:00 PM **Gypsy Moon**

Mediterranean Inspired Dance Music

2:30 PM **Gerry Rempel**

Jazz Syndicate
Jazz Fusion

Committee Meetings

Orientation and Screenings

Weds., July 20th - 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:15 PM

Holiday Market Committee Meeting

Thurs., July 28th - 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Board of Directors Meeting

Wed., August 4th - 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 - Shannon Lee-Hutson

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