From Kirsten

Good Morning Saturday Marketers!

I hope you had a wonderful and successful market last weekend! As the market season begins each year we review our processes around opening and closing the day. Parking is always free of those processes that can be confusing and I don’t want anyone to get a ticket. So here are a few guidelines to remember:

1) The parking meters on the outer edge of the Park Blocks are not free. If you park there you must feed the meter.
2) Only the meters directly attached to the Park Blocks are free to members from 5 a.m. - 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. - 6 p.m. Please don’t park at these meters during the day as we want your customers to have easy access to you.
3) Please no parking at the corners of the intersections.
4) Never drive against the traffic direction around the Park Blocks. It is one way only. Please let the Info Booth know if you see something that needs attention around the market.

The Opening Day of Tuesday Market is just around the corner. The first day is May 7th. If you are interested in walking on Tuesdays, please check-in with JJ that day that on the East Park Blocks at 9 a.m. It is $5 per booth and 10% of your sales. The market operates from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. This is a great opportunity to expand your sales!

Happy Selling!
Kirsten

50th Anniversary Task Force

We have a wonderful group of volunteers on the 50th Anniversary Task Force. We meet on the second Thursday of the month in the Saturday Market office at 3pm. This task force is working hard to bring fun events all year long. In addition to the fun, we are also focused on Saturday Market archives and commemorative opportunities to celebrate our rich history.

This year, we have opportunities to display our history in public locations outside of the Park Blocks. We have reserved space in the OSLI Lincoln Gallery in July. We also have space reserved for November and December at the Eugene Public Library. We are creating a display that includes information about the history of the Market as well as showing off the amazing art our members bring every Saturday.

We need your help!

Please consider sharing a Saturday Market treasure for these displays. It doesn’t have to be your own products. We would love to display works from members that are no longer selling with us alongside items from our current makers. Anything you loan to the market for this purpose will be returned to you.

We are ready to collect these items. We have a form to fill out in the office and the South Park Info Booth. Thanks for your help!

M.V.P. Message

Out of the bag

I’ve been on Sustainability Committee from its second year, but the principles we practice are rooted a lot deeper. While I was growing up, my Mom often repeated a mantra that I learned growing up during the Great Depression: Make it do, Use it Up, Do without.

We had a circle of friends with children around my age where we traded around clothing that was still good, but that we had grown out of. Some items had been sewn by my Mom, or the other moms; some had been purchased, then handed down across the families. Some things we got new-underwear, socks, shoes—but most clothes were hand-me-downs and nothing was thrown away because it wasn’t “fashionable.”

During my Junior Girl Scout years, I learned to darn and reweave socks and tights. They always wore out in one or two places—a toenail or a rough heel—while the rest of the item was in good shape. I’ve had to learn when an item is finally beyond repair and put it in the rag bag, but I still like to reweave socks.

I have had cats since 1984, which means I have bought cat litter and dry cat food since then. Sometimes, in the mid 1990s, the industry moved from plastic-coated paper to woven plastic for large-sized cat food bags. Heavy duty and water resistant, the empty bags seemed almost too good to be thrown away. With a little bit of trimming and sewing, adding woven strap handles, we transformed them into shopping and carry bags, long before Eugene banned single use plastic bags. Our only challenge—making certain that they don’t get scanned by accident, since the bar code still reads as “16 pounds dry cat food”. They don’t last forever—eventually the plastic begins to delaminate, layers start shedding in the cupboard. But by then we can reclaim the handles and sew new ones out of newly emptied cat food bags. We’ve had a lot of positive feedback from folks about our “kitty shopping bags,” but won’t be making them to sell at Saturday Market. (Too many products/projects on the go!) We’re happy to share informa- tion and templates if you want to make your own; I even have some extra cat food bags in my future.

I enjoy looking at new opportunities to use old stuff — converting oversized Braille mailing envelopes into filing folders, or finding someone at Market who could use the flock of non-recyclable shippers Frank used to get to the radio station to pack and mail her fragile products.

So my mother’s Depression Era mantra is still relevant in its modern form: Reduce. Re- use. Recycle. To which I’d add: Repair. Repurpose.

Denise Gosar
Off Center Ceramics and Pulp Romances

If you would like to submit an article for the M.V.P. Message column please submit it to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org

Enjoy the day!
JJ

Mothers Day Giveaway

It’s that time of year again! Our super popular and fun Mother’s Day Giveaway will be held at the stage on May 11. We need donations from members to hand out as prizes every hour. Please make sure to include a business card or a label with any donations to help customers find you again in the future. Please drop off donations at the office or at the South Park Info Booth.

Saturday Market Guidebook

The 2019 Guidebooks are available at the South Park Information Booth! Come get some for your booth. Make sure to put a business card into every Guidebook you hand out. Reserve vendors can circle their space on the map. You can also share it on your social media pages or website by using this link:

http://anyflip.com/pedi/civm/

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Local Events

April 20 - Ducks Spring Game
April 21 - Easter Sunday
April 26 - Eugene Marathon
May 7 - Farmer’s Market Tuesday Market
May 11 - Mother’s Day Giveaway
Food Court Specials!

RENAISSANCE PIZZA’s April special is our Sausage and Three Cheese Pizza, with Italian sausage and Shaved Asio, Romano and Parmesan cheeses.

BANGKOK GRILL’s special for April is Thai Green Curry. It’s coconut green curry with tofu*, carrots*, green beans*, and bamboo shoots. Served with steamed rice. Vegan and gluten free. Served with either Chicken or Tofu Satay (turmeric & coconut marinated chicken or tofu).

*organic

RITTA’S BURRITOS! April special is Mediterranean Queso-Melt. Two tortillas spread with containers of fresh organic spinach, roasted red peppers, feta cheese then grilled to golden perfection. Severed with tzatziki style sour cream and tortilla chips.

DANA’S CHEESECAKE BAKERY’s weekly special is Blueberry Cheesecake!

The Kareng Fund

The Kareng Fund is an emergency relief fund set up to help low income, self-employed artisans and their families who experience a serious career-threatening crisis. You can make a donation any time, just specify your donation on the front of your payment envelope. You can “round up” your fees to easily donate a little each week. You can also help the Kareng Fund every time you purchase something from Amazon!

To contribute through Amazon, go to smile.amazon.com and search for “Kareng Fund”. From that point forward, every purchase you make through Amazon will benefit the Kareng Fund, helping artisans in need.

Brochures are available at the Info Booth, & American Express. Send your customer checks are in your envelopes. We have mailed at the end of the day Wednesday. Reserve members’ checks are in your envelopes.

UnClassified

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 info@eugenessaturdaymarket.org with “NEWSLETTER” in the subject.

Bluesta Teller is in need of a ride to Saturday Market. Every Saturday, I will call when I don’t need a ride. I live near Gilfill Shopping Center/Budget Lodge. Please call or text 541-912-7615 (4/20)

Sale: Beau “C” wheel, Otahua triple beam balance scale, & lots of glue chemicals. See Dona in Booth 302 or text/dreaders@541-579-0895 (4/13)

Lisa Gladics is look for a booth to share at Oregon Country Fair this year. Good help, reliable, need about 4. Have dolls and finger puppets on Eetsy. Call 541-635-3930 (4/13)

Moon needs new corner. I have a 5th wheel trailer and am in need of a new quiet spot to live on with some access to electricity and water. I can pay $200/mt rent and my bills, I grow a garden - vegetables, flowers, medical marijuana. Can help on property. Need to move back to Eugene/Florence area. Am missing Sat–U-Sun this year because currently too far away. 541-214-5867 (4/6)

For Sale: Oak dining room table with 2 expansion leaves, 8 Windsor Captain chairs (fit under the table), 2 large antique leather rocker recliners, full set of drawers (used in garage for tool storage - needs paint), upright Frigidaire freezer (still in use), washer and gas dryer, and more! Call for pictures and any additional info. Prices negotiable. 541-654-8957 (4/6)

Hi Markets! I am looking clients needing yard, home, personal, or business assistance. I will take on small or big jobs, temporary or long-term starting at $15/hour. I can help you with a wide range of activities including deliveries and grocery pickup, cleaning and organizing, yard maintenance, moving heavy house items, sitting, gardening, computer know-how, event organizing, photo manipulation, meal preparation, and a lot more. See full list at saeglicek.com/sageliskey helps or facebook.com/sageliskeyhelps or alternatively you can give me a text or call at 541-424-6679. Thank you –Sage Lidsey at the Red Cat Press(4/6)

Larry the kaleidoscope guy is hoping to share your OCF booth for the fabulous 50th! Small footprint, no camping space needed, responsible and experienced. 541-424-3503 or come by booth 737 to meet (4/6)

Hi, if you have an approved for the market fire extinguisher for sale, it’s Dry Chemical A:1:10:BC and brand new. It sat through 1 holiday market and is otherwise unused. It cost $49.00 new and I’m asking $35.00. Please contact Keith at 541-683-5206. Thanks! (4/6)

South Park Info Booth: Making Changes: The market will make change for our members, up to $60, each Saturday.

Vendor Check Cashing: Available at the Info Booth. There is a $5 charge for a returned check. We do not cash checks for customers.

Lost & Found: Please turn in found items to the South Park Info Booth and tell custumers to go to the South Park Info Booth for lost & found items. They can also call the office at 541-686-8885. Saturday Market is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Weather

Happy Saturday! The sun is almost here, I promise. Until then, we have a partly cloudy day with a 10% chance of showers and a high of 61 degrees. Winds N at 10mph.

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Committee Meeting
Tues., April 23rd: 12:00 PM
Board Meeting
Wed., May 1st: 5:15-7:15PM
Standards Screenings
Wed, May 1st: 3:00 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
50th Anniversary Task Force Meeting
Thurs., May 9th: 3:00 PM
Standards Screenings
Wed, May 15th: 4:15 PM - New Member Orientation @ 3:30 PM
Standards Committee Meeting
Wed, May 15th: 5:00 PM - Agenda: Pre-Packaged Foods

All meetings take place at the Market Office. All are welcome!

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.com/TheSaturdayMarket
Twitter / Instagram @SaturdayMarket

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

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