Today's Highlights: September 7th, 2019

* Work Task Sign Up Sheets at the Info Booth. Sign up and get your refund!
* Be a M.V.P. - Member.Volunteer.Partner.
* Committee Schedules, Stage Line Up, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!

From Kirsten
Good Morning Saturday Marketers!
Welcome to another beautiful day at Saturday Market. 10 markers left and then it’s Holiday Market time.

We will be having our Annual Meeting on October 9th, at the Eugene Chamber of Commerce, 1401 Willamette St., from 2:30pm-4:30pm.  This is a great opportunity to catch up on all the work the Board of Directors and committees have done over the past year.

The 50th Anniversary Task Force has been hard at work planning the 50th celebration party on May 9, 2020.  It will be held at the Veritas, including what spaces we are booking so it’s in the grand finale of our year-long celebration that started this year. If you are interested in helping plan this party a huge success, please join the 50th Anniversary Task Force. The next meeting is Thursday, October 6th from 3pm-5pm at the Market Offices.

Holiday Market work task sign-up sheets are posted at the Information Booth. You can also sign-up in the office. The work task fee went up to $40 this year. Please take a moment to sign-up for a task so you get your refund of the work task fee. The Holiday Market takes a lot of hard work to make it happen and your help matters.

The first Holiday Market invoices went out this week. Please take a moment to review them for accuracy and pay close attention to your keywords. The more keywords you use, the better since it helps us connect customers to you. The next payment is due September 30th.

There’s lots to do before the November kick-off, like hanging posters and coloring elves. Holiday Market setup happens before the hall can be opened to member setup, and breakdown occurs on Dec 26th. Work Tasks are two hours, or a specific job, and again, you’re responsible for having it done, but you don’t have to be the one doing it if you do you need to let Staff know who your proxy is, and you are responsible for the interpersonal arrangement with your proxy. Remember the Work Task fee needs to be finished and signed off in order to get your refund!

Questions?  Call and talk to your friendly market staff, or come be a guest at the Holiday Market Committee meeting. The next one is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11th at the Market Office at 2-4pm.

Now is the time to sign-up for your Work Task! This lets the Market Staff know that Tasks are going to be covered, protects your deposit refund, and gives you time to arrange a proxy (if that’s what you’d like to do).

Esther Reese and Rachell Coe Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs

If you would like to submit an article for the M.V.P. Message column, please send it to eugenesaturdaymarket.org in noon each Tuesday.

Happy Selling!
Kirsten

Holiday Market Update

New market members will be called later in the month. New markers will be called later in the month. We are collecting these items in the Saturday Market alongside the amazing art our members create. There will be music, dancing, food carts, and a beer garden.

It’s great exposure to a different crowd than we get on Saturdays. Roll call starts at 8:45am on the Oak St. side of the East Block. I hope to see you there!

Barre on the Streets: “The Space” is presenting a free hour-long ballet access on the West Park Block every Tuesday through September noon to 1:00pm. They invite you to come by to stretch, breathe, and get some movement in your day. All ages are welcome. The non-profits today are Mahashiddha Kadampa Buddhist Center and Maple Star.

Questions?  May I have an answer?  Please email us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org. Enjoy the day!

J.J.’s Community Corner

Happy September everyone! As we celebrate the changing of the seasons, be sure to check out the changing of the skies. Neptune will be visible all night long on Monday. This giant blue planet will have its face to the sun while being closest to Earth on its orbit. Below are some earthly events to enjoy.

Town Square Block Party: The city is hosting an event on the Park Blocks this Thursday the 12th from 4:30-7:30pm to show the public the final design concept for the Park Blocks remodel. Please join us to engage with the designers, neighbors, and your community. There will be music, dancing, food carts, and a beer garden.

Lane County Farmers Market: Every Tuesday, May through October, the Tuesday Market takes over the East Park Block. You are invited to come and enjoy this current Saturday Market member may sell on Tuesdays. It’s great exposure to a different crowd than we get on Saturdays. Roll call starts at 8:45am on the Oak St. side of the East Block. I hope to see you there!

50th Anniversary Display
Thank you again to everyone that brought in wonderful loaned products from the market to add to the OSLP display in July. We are so grateful for your generosity on this project. Now we need to fill the Reading Room of the Eugene Public Library: Specifically we need lots of framed wall art or hanging art to fill up the massive wall space.

Please share a Saturday Market treasure for these displays by October 26th. Bring your work or the work of other market members. 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 collecting these items in the Saturday Market office rather than at the Info Booth. We will ask you to fill out a form to help us get your loaned item back to you and credit the artist. Thank you!

The space is reserved for Nov. and Dec. at the Eugene Public Library. The display shows information about the growth of the Marketplace along the amazing art our members create.

Local Events
Sept. 7 - Ducks vs. Nevada @ 4:30pm
Sept. 14 - Ducks vs. Montana @7:45pm
Sept. 21 - Ducks vs. Portland @ 7pm
Oct. 5 - Market Wide Sale!
Oct. 5 - Ducks vs. Cal Bears
Oct. 11-13 - Claret.
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@eugenessaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject.

RITTAS' BURRITOS’ September’s special is the Black Beauty Burrito! Freshly cooked and seasoned black beans, sesame rice, cheddar cheese, shredded romaine lettuce, topped with guacamole and our delicious corn salsa. Gluten free option available.

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.com and search for “Kareng Fund”.

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 or on their website at www.karengfund.org.

Thank you for helping your fellow artists in their time of need.

Weather

It’s going to be an overcast day for a break from heat. Today has a high of 71 degrees and a 20% chance of rain. Winds W at 8mph.

Food Court Specials!

RENAISSANCE PIZZA We’re starting Septem ber off with our seasonal favorite, Tomato, Rosemary and Garlic Pizza. Our delicious topp ings include local sliced tomatoes*, fresh rose-mary leaves* and minced garlic*, all drizzled with extra virgin olive oil.* Organic ingredients.

The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy September birthday to jewelry artist Deb Schusssler today, fine artist Nancy Bright and artist Pantree Keane tomorrow, mixed media artists Alice MacDonald and author Joe Blakey on Monday, tie dye artist Josh Wozik on Tuesday, author Pat Edwards on Wednesday, site supervisor Dave Welch, artist Bobbi Carlson on Thursday, fiber artist Diana Gardener, jewelry artist Jordana Miller and herbalist Ryan O’Connor Walk on Friday!

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

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