Happy Founder’s Day Tomorrow, May 9th! Plus, Mother’s Day Gift Sales Tips

Happy Mother’s Day

Thought for the day…”A meaningful life is not being rich, being popular, being highly educated or being perfect…It is about being real, being humble, being strong and being able to share ourselves and touch the lives of others.” -Unknown

Happy Selling,
Kirsten

From Kirsten

Good Morning Saturday Marketers! Welcome to another fabulous Saturday Market. Today is going to be beautiful. Mother’s Day is tomorrow and that should bring out the shopper. We are very excited to announce that your Board of Directors unanimously approved the Saturday Night Market Task Force’s recommendation to have four evening events this summer. Here are the details and we hope you are excited to participate in these new opportunities:

1. The night markets will be called Twilight Markets;
2. They will run from 6pm-9pm; --Load-out will be 4pm-5pm for members not participating; --Load-in will be 5pm-6pm for members participating that didn’t sell during the Twilight Market;
3. The cost is $5, with no revenue sharing;
4. Members will be awarded 1 market point for participation;
5. We will use the Waitlist points generated 30 days in advance of each market to sell open spaces;
6. They will be booked three weeks in advance and pre-payment is required; --Members will be required to declare interest in participating no later than 3 weeks prior to each Market; An email will be sent reminding members of the deadlines;
7. Reserve Members that are in their first year may participate no later than 3 weeks prior to each Market, but must declare they will be sharing their space during the Twilight Market, but must declare they will be staying in their space for that market at least 3 weeks in advance;
8. The dates and maps used are as follows:

June 19th – Odd Map, this market corresponds to the Olympic Trials
July 10th – Even Map, this corresponds with the Oregon Country Fair Virtual Fair
August 14th – Odd Map, no corresponding event that day
September 18th – Even Map, no corresponding event that day
9. Music will be scheduled. Details will be made available at a later date.

Please keep an eye out for the email that will start the process of booking the June 19th Twilight Market. The more members that participate, the more successful this endeavor will be for everyone.

Today’s Highlights: May 8th, 2021

- Happy Founder’s Day Tomorrow, May 9th
- Mother’s Day Gift Sales Tips
- Be a M.V.P. - Member/Volunteer/Partner.
- Weather, Birthdays, UnClassifieds and more on the back page!
The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy belated May 5th birthday to Diane McWhorter and belated to David Winston on May 7th. Happy May birthday today to metal artist Conrad Hodson today, celtic t-shirt artist Caroline Dunn on Sunday, poster jewelry and poster artist Cassie Vandenburgh on Wednesday and super fun toy and soft dough maker Mary Newell on Thursday and site crew member Dave Dieckes on Friday!

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

Please tell us if you don’t see your birthday on your birthday.

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!

The Kareng Fund is offering $250 grants to any member that needs help paying membership fees, reserve fees or booth fees. They will also help with Holiday Market booth fees this year.

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.

Credit Card Sales

Saturday Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover, & American Express. Send your customer to the South Park Office/Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip. Remember to use only the member’s name—not business name.

Your check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be MAILED 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 customer’s fee or increase the cost of your product by a percentage for paying with a credit card. You can offer a cash discount instead.

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 us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with “NEWSLETTER” in the subject.

I will have small but sturdy tomato starts, beginning this week. All appropriate to our climate and tasty. I also have delicious duck eggs only $6.00 dozen. Linda Williams - Call 541-246-5313 or ask for my booth location at the Info Booth (5/8).

Beware of Counterfeit Money

We handle a lot of cash at Saturday Market. We have not had any reports of phony money out there, but it could happen at any time. You should always be on the lookout for fake money.

Here are some tips:

1. Hold the bill up to the light. Check for a hologram of the face on the bill plus the thin vertical strip containing the denomination. Also, make sure the watermark can be seen on both sides of the bill. There is a security thread imbedded from top to bottom on the face of the bill.

2. Color-shifting ink: If you hold the new series bill (except the $5 note) and tilt it back and forth, please observe the numeral in the lower right hand corner as its color shifts from green to black and back.

3. Comparison: Test the feel and texture of the paper with other bills you know are authentic.

Feel free to ask your neighbors or come to the Info Booth if you are given a questionable bill.

Booth Weights Available

Booth weights are required for pop-up tents and umbrellas. A flying booth can cause a lot of harm. The fire marshall will be on-site inspecting us today. We have canvas weight bags with clips available at the Info Booth or during the week in the office for $10 each. They are not filled. You will have to do that yourself, but it’s easy and inexpensive. You can purchase weighty material of your choice for about $5 or less at Lane Forest Products.

Weather

What a perfect Oregon spring day! We have a nice blend of sun and clouds ahead with a high of 64 degrees with 5-10mph winds from the NNW. It’s a good day to layer. Like a layer of beans, layer of cheese, layer of sour cream, you get the idea. See y’all out there!

Committee Meetings

Night Force Task Force

Tues., May 20th - 1:00 PM-3:00 PM
Board Meeting

Wed., June 1st - 5:15 PM-7:15 PM
Board Meeting

Wed., July 7th - 5:15 PM-7:15 PM
Holiday Market Committee Meeting

Wed., July 14th - 2:00 PM-4:00 PM
Board 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!

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.

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