From Kimberly

Welcome to another lovely spring Market day!

Now, if you haven’t already, you may want to take a walk around the outside of your space and see what the customers see. Does it look tidy from all angles? Do you have eye-catching, alluring objects placed in readily seen locations in your booth?

How is the inside of your booth working for you and your customers? Are there any trip hazards present? Do you have a comfy chair/stool? Have you displayed items at appropriate height levels for your target demographic?

Have a good one 😊

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Security Reminder - Protect Your Valuables

This comes from the Eugene Police Department. Officers have walked through at closing the last two Saturdays and have this important suggestion for you:

Please secure your valuable items as much as possible at take down. Do not leave purses, money belts/bags, and cash boxes in view. The officers saw many cases in which purses and bags were left in plain view as vendors turned their backs or walked to their vehicles and officers saw other folks on the fringes eyeing this as a potential opportunity. Keep your valuables secure!

Street Team News

New Vendors: Welcome to all new vendors. It’s the time of year where we have a lot of new vendors and it’s exciting to see what they have to share and sell. To welcome and help identify who’s new we now have nifty signs that read “Welcome New Vendor” festooned with a rainbow. If you spot a new vendor please take the time to make them welcome and offer any needed assistance.

Market Promo Cards: Do you operate an AirBnB? Do you know someone who does? We’ve got shiny, promotional Saturday Market cards to place in rentals and share with guests. Help spread the word about one of Eugene’s top tourist destinations. Contact Kim Still (at the music stage) or Heather Robbins-Hinton in booth #150 for more info.

Committee Corner

The Holiday Market Committee met last week and discussed details for this year’s I Spy Elves promotion for opening weekend of Holiday Market. Stay tuned for more information about how you can participate in this fun activity! This committee has plenty of room for new members, anyone can join by attending a meeting, they meet on the second Wednesday of the month at 4PM. At their next meeting on May 11 they will be electing officers, looking at the budget and reviewing the vendor applications.

The Standards Committee is meeting this week on Wednesday. On their agenda is more discussion about scent, sales of alcohol, and possibly doing screenings before orientations instead of afterwards.

All are welcome to attend meetings - learn more about how the Market works, and add your energy and input!

Parking Rule #1: Be Excellent To Each Other

Each year there is an adjustment in the flow of parking for loading and unloading due to the change of individuals who reserve spaces at the Market and this year is no different. Here are some parking reminders:

- Be aware of how specific neighborhoods park and follow along. If all the other cars are angled in to get more cars in, do that even if it’s parallel parking during the day.
- Do not double park, it constricts traffic and creates extra hazards for everyone.
- Don’t chide customers out of your “parking spot at the end of the day.” No parking ramps, folks need those to roll carts to and from their vehicles.
- Wait until 5 to bring your car, and be prepared to start loading as soon as you park.
- And the number one parking rule: Be Excellent To Each Other! We’re all in this together...

Important - Fee Changes

In order to keep up with ever rising costs, the Board of Directors has voted to raise base fees on Park Blocks spaces. The new fees are: 8 x 8 = $13+10% 4 x 4 = $8+10% Strolling = $5+10% Thanks for your attention to this new fee structure when you turn in your payment.

Market Cards Available

Doing an out of town show? Want folks to know you sell at Market? “Handcrafted by a member of Eugene Oregon’s Saturday Market” business cards are available free at the Info Booth. You can also tuck them into on site purchases to remind folks that it’s handmade!

Got Forks?

If you have managed to add any of Market’s metal forks to your home fork collection, we’d love to have them back! You can drop them in any fork bucket at any time on any Saturday, or we’ll happily accept them at the office as well.

Local Events

April 30 - Ducks Spring Game
April 30 - Eugene Marathon weekend
May 7 - Mother’s Day Giveaway
May 27 - Prefontaine Classic
The Market Corner
Happy Happy Birthday to woodworker Jason Terry tomorrow, doll artist Mary Hebert on Monday, glass artist Sue Hunnel on Monday and tie dye artist Laura Adams on Tuesday!!

There will be a memorial gathering for Michael Dibitetto on Sunday, May 1, at 2PM at the Washington Park Community Center (2025 Washington St). Bring a salad or dessert.

Congratulations to graphic artist and Marketeer Jeff Langevin! He won a national contest to design the poster for the new season of BBC America’s show “Orphan Black.” You can see it by going to www.eew.com and searching for Orphan Black. It looks really great!

The Oregon Country Fair’s Spring Fling is coming Saturday, May 5, 6:30 p.m. at the WOW Hall. The Spring Fling raffle will once again benefit Culture Jam, the Fair’s arts and culture summer camp for youth. If you would like to donate an item for the raffle or buy tickets please stop by booth 321. Thanks for your support, sue thelas.

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 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. Thanks!

UnClassifieds
To place your free unclassified, bring it to the info booth by the end of the day, to the office by Thursday afternoon, or e-mail to kimstill@eugenesaturdaymarket.org, put “newsletter” in the subject line.

For Sale: Cedar wood market booth: standard 8’ x 8’ booth w/custom details, in good condition, only used indoors. $150 OBO. Contact Jen 541-221-3165 (no txt msg). (4/16)

New Products: Earrings made from computer keyboards & other re-purposed stuff, plus bracelets from all recycled wire/hardware. Lots more and always recycled! Come see us at Space 168 (near the fountain). New website too: www.etsy.com/shop/artocycle. (4/16)

Inventory sale. Lots of beads: glass, bone, horn, semi-precious. Findings too. Sharon, dancing-spirit@gmx.com. (4/2)

Do You Have A Spare Room? Hello, I am looking for a temporary Room in Eugene in someone’s home, where I can use the kitchen and bath for the month of April (possibly longer)? I don’t have much money to contribute, but, I can barter/trade services such as gardening, animal care, cooking, cleaning, organizing, etc. I am a woman in my late 50’s who is respectful, responsible and considerate. I live simply. I do not smoke. I have references. Thank you. 541-543-1739 (4/2)

Rita’s Burritos April special is a Mushroom and Spinach Queso-Melt with caramelized onion and chèvre cheese. Served with organic Oregon Blue Berry Salsa. (4/2)

Renaissance Pizzas’ April special is the “Sausage and Three Cheese Pizza.” It has Italian sausage with shaved Asiago, Romano and Parmesan cheeses. Also on tap throughout the season is their Breakfast Pizza, with rosemary roasted red potatoes, scrambled egg and Tillamook cheddar cheese, with an optional choice of Italian sausage. (4/2)

Save some trees and some land-fill space... Bring Your Own Mug to Market!

Weather
Considering the past couple of days, this sounds fantastic! Patchy fog before 11am
Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 69. Calm wind becoming north around 6 mph in the afternoon. Happy Saturday!

-sue thelas. (3/26)

Committee Meetings
Board of Directors
Wed, May 4, 5:15 PM
Agenda: TBA

Standards Committee
Wed, April 20, 5:00 PM
Agenda: Scent, Alcohol sales

Standards Screenings
Wed, April 20, Weds, May 4 at 4:15 PM (if you are already a member, 3:30 if not)

Holiday Market Committee
Wed., May 11, 4:00 PM
Agenda: Elect officers, budget, vendor application

Food Court Committee
TBA
Agenda: TBA

Market Street Team
Thursday, April 28, noon
Agenda: souvenir booklet planning

Board of Directors Election
Saturday, June 11, 2016
All meetings take place at the Market Office, 30 E. Broadway #124, Eugene. All are welcome!

Credit Card Sales
Market accepts Visa, Mastercard, Discover & American Express. Send your customer to the Info Booth with a properly filled out credit card slip (avail at Info Booth). Your check for the amount of the sale less 5% for bank charges will be ready on Wednesday at noon at the office or mailed at the end of the day Wednesday.

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