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Saturday Market

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SATURDAY MARKET NEWSLETTER
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From the Office: Storytime

Greetings Artisans!
I would like to tell you little story about last weekend and our “favorite” Protestor group, Reformed Baptist Church of Douglas County...

Saturday began early with the Pride Parade gathering at Kesey Square. The square was glistening with festive colors, smiling faces, and brightly colored flags proudly fluttering in the morning’s soft summer breeze. Just beyond the warm murmuring of greetings and squeals of tuning instruments was the amplified words of “Pastor” Mason preaching hellfire and damnation. I told our staff that the Roseburg group was here in Eugene and to prepare for a possible visit. We alerted our neighbors, Farmer’s Market and the Free People’s Plaza, to deploy our “Operation Debris.” Saturday Market filled the public spaces on the 2 southern corners of 8th and Oak and the FM and Free People’s filled their spaces with debris: street signs, carts, garbage cans, tables, and bubble machines. I also spoke to EPD.

The Protestors arrived after opening, after the Pride Parade marched past the Market and found they had a small public space down from the corner on the Free People’s Plaza side to set up. They began to sermonize and shake their posters at passersby. It was not long before there was a confrontation and violent outburst. Posters were shredded, a megaphone was taken, the crowd began shoving and fists began to fly. I called our EPD contact (not 911), and within minutes EPD was on the scene. The result? Four arrests: 2 Free People’s Plaza members, one community member and -DRUMROLL PLEASE- Pastor Ryan Clark!

It is the small victories that give me such great satisfaction. Now, for Market news...

Our “Spaz” (Member Liaison) is no longer working for our organization. He will always be a part of our Saturday Market family, and we wish him the very best on his journey.

Financial Update: For the month of June our crafter 10% average was \$25.31 and median \$18.50. Food Court average for June was \$120.98. After the booth fee increase that started on June 28th, we brought in an additional \$1020.00 in revenue. What an incredible start!

Hear ye, Hear ye, I am honored to announce our Volunteer of the Month of July is Dani Marks Fife Ito of Moon Jelly Jewelry! Dani has worked tirelessly so far this year on the Board and committees to make our organization work better and more efficient. Thank you, Dani, and Raspberry Tazzberry (baby bump)!

Pleased as punch,
Shannon Lee-Hutson, General Manager
gm@eugen Saturdaymarket.org

From Maia, Our Former B.O.D. Secretary

At the July 2nd Board meeting, we welcomed our newly elected Board members. Doug Robertson was chosen to be Chair, Dani Marks Fife Ito (with not a single hyphen in her name!!) as Vice Chair, and Kyle Reallon will continue as Treasurer. We currently do not have a Secretary. The Secretary works closely with the Board, but does not have to be a Board member. The Secretary should be organized, work well with others, and be able to keep confidentiality. If you are interested, please contact the office.

We have been working to get the new Governance Committee off the ground. The purpose of this Committee is to review our By-laws, and our Policies & Procedures, and improve them. This will help the Board tremendously, because we are constantly faced with situations that do not have any established policy or procedure to follow. This Committee will make recommendations to the Board on ways to improve our policies, and fill gaps. The Governance Committee needs some dedicated members who are good at collaborating. We need people who are detail-oriented researchers, and also some who are good at understanding human behavior. If you are interested in joining, please send a letter of interest to the office. The Board will appoint Governance Committee members.

We talked briefly about Oregon Country Fair next week, and we want everyone to know that it’s a great time to sell at Saturday Market! If you are not reserved, you have a great chance to get a great space. Customers will show up with money to spend, and you might experience Bigger Piece of the Pie Day, with less competition from all the vendors who are gone to Fair. Keep in mind that many food booths will also be at Fair, and the remaining food booths are usually very busy.

Board meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month, in the upstairs meeting room and on Zoom, if you want to join us. Feel free to contact the office for a Zoom link and/or Board packet. The next meeting is August 6th at 5:15 PM.

Maia Bowers
Former B.O.D. Secretary,
Current Board Member,
Pepper Tree Bird Shirts



Envelope Art by: Ian Petersen

Let's Make a Holiday Market Guidebook!

This year we will be putting together the 7th edition of the Holiday Market Guidebook. The Guidebook is made by members and staff for customers and tourists. It will have helpful information like a map, shopping list, and QR codes to our Artisan Directory and Weekly Live Map.

The Guidebook Team currently meets in the office on the fourth Thursday of the month from 4:15-6:15 PM. The next Guidebook Team meeting will be on July 24th. If you are interested in volunteering, getting an ad, or have more questions about the Guidebook, please email Renee (your Marketing Manager) at:

renee@eugen Saturdaymarket.org

Volunteer Round Up!

Hello dear Market members. As you know, it takes many hands to make Market possible. We have lots of different tasks here at Saturday Market that need a talented and dedicated volunteer like YOU!

If you're interested in volunteering with something, feel free to email :

info@eugen Saturdaymarket.org or get in contact with our Volunteer Coordinator Kevy Levy of Sun Swirl Designs. We have opportunities available inside and outside of the Committee environment.

■ Governance Committee - This newly formed Committee is looking for new members to help review policy, make policy recommendations and more. Send a letter of interest to join to the office (snail mail or email) to be considered. Must be appointed by the Board of Directors.

■ Living Wage Task Force - If you are interested in joining this Task Force, please feel free to reach out to the office (snail mail, phone, or email). Economic and community-centered minds are needed.

■ Guidebook Team - Interested in graphic design and getting to know members? This group helps bring the Guidebook to life.

■ Community Moderators - We are actively recruiting community moderators for our official Eugene Saturday Market Members private group page on Facebook. Moderators must complete a training before acting as a moderator.

■ Committees - All of our Committees and groups are looking for more volunteers. See a full list of our groups in the "Who Helps Make Saturday Market Possible" on our website (www.eugen Saturdaymarket.org) under “Helpful Member Links.”

■ Posters - Help us distribute posters, rack cards, and stickers throughout our community.

■ Other Opportunities - See a list of some more volunteer opportunities in the "Flexible Volunteer Opportunities" on our website (www.eugen Saturdaymarket.org) under “Helpful Member Links.”



The Market Corner

Wishing a Happy Birthday to all our Market friends! Happiest of birthdays to Gordon of Galaxy Leather, Patricia the Artist, Julie of BoPeep Millinery, Morris our Lead Recycler.

A very happy birthday to you all!

We hope this is your best year yet!

If we forget your birthday, let us know! We'll be sure to include it in the following newsletter.

Food Specials!

NICE RICE's breakfast special returns! Get an Omelette Breakfast with organic, local eggs from our neighbors at the Lane County Farmers Market. Get yours in booth #F15

CANDY COATED BLISS is excited to introduce their new Dubai bars and Dubai strawberry cups (\$15 each). Find these treats in addition to candy coated grapes and more. See the Live Map or Info Booth for booth location.

Any food booth in our International Food Court or pre-package food booth can advertise specials in the newsletter. Send them to renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org by 4PM on Wednesdays.

Local Events

- June 27 - July 13 - Oregon Bach Festival
- July 4 - First Friday ArtWalk @Eugene
- July 4 - Fourth of July Celebrations
- July 5 - Prefontaine Classic
- July 5 - MDC Moshpit Market
- July 5 - Spencer Creek Growers Market
- July 6 - Native American Arts & Crafts Maker Market @Farmers Market Pavilion

- July 6 - Sweet Tooth Sunday Market

This list is just a fraction of the fun things happening in our community. See more on event calendars and publications like the Eugene Weekly.



Saturday Market Social Life!

Follow Saturday Market on our website and social media pages. Share your content by tagging us to get included and reach a new audience! Promo materials (posters, rack cards, stickers) are available at the Info Booth & office.

Linktree: linktr.ee/eugenesaturdaymarket

We're also on Bluesky, Yelp, Cara, Google Business, YouTube, Flickr, & more.

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 email it to us at info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org with "NEWSLETTER" in the subject. — —



If you see this stamp on your envelope, please call the office A.S.A.P.

Dwight Limerick

There once was a runner named Dwight
Who could speed even faster than light.
He set out one day
In a relative way
And returned on the previous night.

Why Read the Newsletter?

Well... you are reading it now aren't you? But really, the Weekly Member Newsletter is a treasure trove of information for members from M.V.P. articles by fellow members, updates From the Office, and new articles about topics important to the Market community. The Weekly Member Newsletter is the only official Newsletter for Eugene Saturday Market and Holiday Market members. Even if you are a Holiday Market only member, we encourage you to stay plugged-in, and read the Weekly Member Newsletter throughout the season. The Newsletter is always available at the office, Info Booth and online. If you want to submit something for the Newsletter, please send it to info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org or renee@eugenesaturdaymarket.org by Wednesday to be included in the next Weekly Member Newsletter.

Dreads Got You Down?

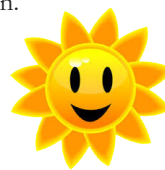
Do you have dreadlocks? Want deadlocks, or just need some light maintenance (or even a dread removal)? Then you should visit Grateful Dread Hair & Make-Up Artistry! Schedule a consultation today by contacting Cherie at: (515) 371-4186 or gratefuldreadlockz@gmail.com

4x4 Wooden Booth For Sale

One 4x4 wooden booth available. Funds generated from this sale will be donated to the Kareng Fund thanks to Lenny G. Price is \$50.00. Contact the SM office at (541)686-8885

Weather

Today we are expecting a mostly sunny day. There will be approx. 6% chance of rain, with a high of 83°F and a low of 51°F. 10 to 15 mph winds are expected from the North Northwest. Humidity will be at 47%. Remember to drink water, and bring your sun protection.



Sales, O sales, sales I hope!

Ancient Market incantation (Nov 3,1973)

On the Market Stage

10:00 AM - Axon

Americana, Folk

11:30 AM - Pythias Braswell

Indie-Folk/Alt-Country

12:30 PM - Flow In Love

Physical Arts Performance

1:00 PM - Beyond The Stars

Singer/Songwriter

2:00 PM - Julia Romanelli

Singer/Songwriter

2:30 PM - The Dubious Rubes

Classic Americana

Committee Meetings

Sustainability Meeting

Weds., July 9th- 4:15 PM - 5:15 PM

Food Court Committee Meeting

T.B.D. - To Be Determined

Guidebook Team Meeting

Thurs., July 24th- 4:15 PM - 6:15 PM

Holiday Market Meeting

Fri., July 25th- 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Orientation and Screenings

Weds., August 6th- 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

- New Member Orientation @ 3:00 PM

- Product Screening @ 4:00 PM

All meetings take place at the Market Office and some on Zoom. Request a Zoom link by emailing info@eugenesaturdaymarket.org.

All are welcome!

The Saturday Market

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

Chairperson - Doug Robertson
Vice Chairperson - Dani Marks Fife Ito
Secretary - Could Be You!
Treasurer - Kyle Reallon
Maia Bowers, Ram Shucart, Haven Sundstrom, Sue Theolass, Amanda Pinegold, Catherine Heising

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Holiday Market Committee Co-Chairs:
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Volunteer Coordinators:
Kevin Levy

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