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February

- 1 Food Committee meeting, 5:30, OCF office
- 6 Board of Directors meeting, 7 pm, EWEB Training Room
- 6 FAIR FAMILY NEWS DEADLINE
- 11 Work Session to discuss the front of the Fair, 12:30 – 4 pm, Hilyard Community Ctr
- 14 Craft Committee, 6 pm, OCF office
- 15 Food Committee meeting, 5:30, OCF office
- 21 Fair Family News mailing work party, 6 pm, OCF office

March

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- 5 FAIR FAMILY NEWS DEADLINE
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- 15 Deadline to submit application to perform at 2012 Fair
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- 2 Deadline to submit applications to sell a new craft at 2012 Fair
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- 17 Fair Family News mailing work party, 6 pm, OCF office
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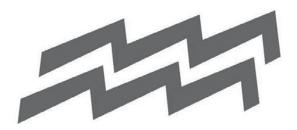
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Faery Landing



Fair Thee Well: James Wyant



A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. Jan. 28, at the Vet's Club Colonial Room, 1626 Willamette St., Eugene, for James "Madjym" Wyant. Jim died Dec. 3, 2011, at age 53. He participated in the first Wild Berry Punch booth at the Oregon Country Fair

starting in 1982, becoming the original "Wild Berry Punch" screamer. He also volunteered for Craft Inventory crew during the 1990s.

Jim was born Jan. 23, 1958, in Eugene to Dan and June Filmer Wyant. James graduated from South Eugene High School and attended Lane Community College and the University of Oregon. He worked as a musician and, in the early 1980s, played at the Treehouse and Lenny's Nosh Bar. A classic film historian, Jim worked for many years at Flicks and Pics video store and, later, at the Bijou Theatre.

Jim was talented and well-loved. He was a huge Beatles fan and traveled to Liverpool, England, numerous times.

Survivors include a brother, David of Ogden, Utah; and a sister, Theresa Bearss of Ocean Shores, Wash. Remembrances to Greenhill Humane Society.

Get on the FFN and/or Voting Membership List Some of you may still not be on the lists of your choice, namely, the mailing list that will get you this newsletter every month and/or the membership list so you can vote!!!! So, check some of the following and mail to: OCF, Membership/Mailing, 442 Lawrence Street, Eugene, 97401.

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year, trash bags in hand, to pick up trash along Highway 126 that borders the Fair site. Mark your calendar – highway pickup dates this year are January 15, April 29, August 12, October 21. Meet your co-horts at the Ware Barn area at 10 am for good deed doing and excellent exercise. Wear gloves and comfortable shoes.

FFN Family

Aunt Mary Doyon Uncle Michael Ottenhausen Tia Suzi Prozanski Tio Brad Lerch Dad Daniel Cohn täti norma sax Tante Niki Harris Zia Cyndi Leathers

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Daniel Cohn (Fair Family News) and April Lightcap are overjoyed to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter Stella Lightcap Cohn. She was born at home on Dec. 23. At birth she weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and measured 19 inches.

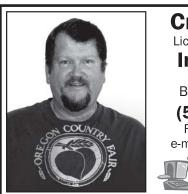
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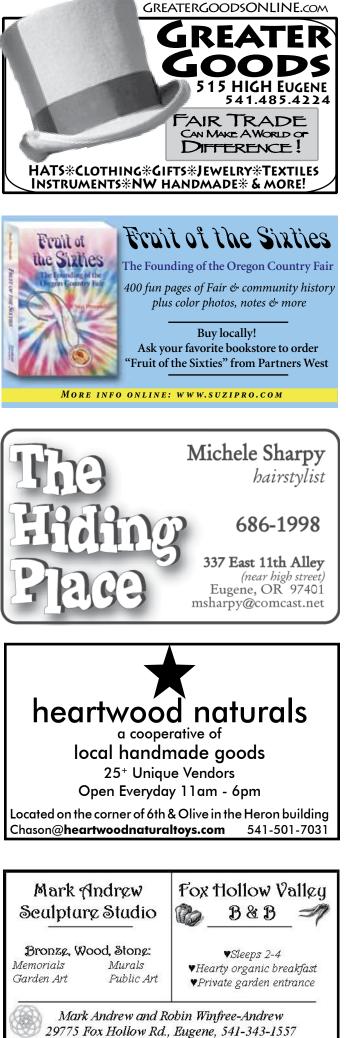
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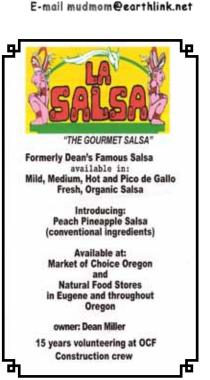
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FAIR GUMINARIES

Energy Park Starts

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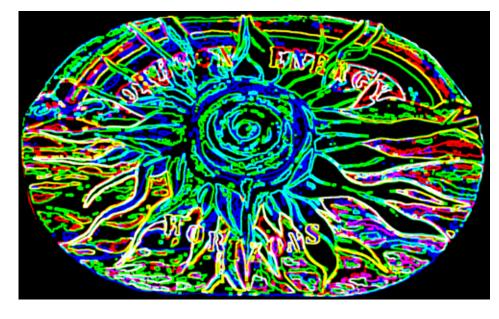
The name "Energy Park" first appeared on the Oregon Country Fair map 30 years ago in 1982, but the concept of promoting renewable energy at the Fair goes back much further.

From the start, the Renaissance Faire/Oregon Country Fair promoted living lightly on the Earth. In 1976, that commitment took the shape of an Appropriate Technology area where different groups demonstrated sustainable lifestyle choices such as composting, urban gardening, and solar water heaters.

Village runs out of space

In 1977, the Appropriate Technology area transformed into Community Village, expanding to include a wide range of social issue groups in addition to the original mission. In 1980, Community Village renewed its commitment to highlight appropriate technology by building Integral House, a model sustainable home. While Integral House successfully displayed many useful ideas, it also highlighted how little space was available in the Village to display alternative energy technology.

In April 1981, the Fair's Board of Directors named a committee to create an "Energy Fair that focuses on solar and alternative technol-



ogy hardware." Committee members Palmer Parker, Sandra Bauer, Jon Pincus, and Robert DeSpain agreed on Energy Park's current location in the meadow behind the Springfield Creamery booth. They recruited Sallie Edmunds to coordinate the project, which was known in 1981 as Oregon Energy Horizons.

Sallie had been participating in Community Village since 1979 with the Willamette Valley Solar Energy Association. "I was still working for the same organization," Sallie recalls now, "and I got a phone call at work one day from Sandra Bauer. … They were looking for somebody to coordinate a new area at the Fair that was focused on alternative technology, energy-related issues, and wanted to know if I was

> interested in talking with her some more. Somebody had referred her to me. I got together with her and we just hit it off from the very beginning. We had a wonderful time and just laughed, and so I was of course on board right away."

> Solar energy groups had sprouted up all over Oregon in the early 1980s, recalls Sue Jakabosky, a participant in the 1981 Oregon Energy Horizons. At the time Sue was an officer with Solar Energy Resources Group in Roseburg.

> "Most every little community had a small solar group because it was just the heyday of solar," Sue recalls. "The federal government had put money in to encourage the formation of those groups. There was Willamette Valley Solar Energy Association, Portland Sun, Sunergi down in Ashland."

Array of exhibits

For the 1981 Fair, Sue's group handed out brochures on how to build a batch water heater, basically a big black tank in an insulated box with a glass lid positioned to catch sunlight. And they brought a demonstration batch water heater. "We lugged that big thing up here," she says. "It must've weighed a gazillion tons. We built it in the back of a pickup, hauled it up here, unloaded it, and propped it up against the back wall of the Nancy's Yogurt booth" (the Springfield Creamery).

Kathy Ging of Sunergi prepared a three-page handout for Oregon Energy Horizons listing organizations and publications that could be turned to for information on solar energy, wind energy, energy conservation, recycling, ride-sharing and more.



Volunteers help create the Oregon Energy Horizons exhibit in 1981.

The 1981 Peach Pit noted "a whole array of exhibits including photovoltaic cells, which power the slide projector in a yurt-design theater, greenhouses containing different examples of heat storage mass in relative amounts, a thermosyphon hot water system, a variety of model solar homes, a wind generator, a low head hydro project, a greenhouse yurt, and much more." The slide-show examined the history and environmental impact of different energy producing technologies. Sallie's group, Willamette Valley Solar Energy Association, conducted a solar collector construction workshop each day.

Solar showers

With a recent energy crisis in the public's mind, the exhibits at Oregon Energy Horizons became an instant hit. There was only one disappointment: The thermosyphon hot water system, which was set up to provide solar-heated showers, didn't work. All the showers were cold. Tom Scott, who was in the solar business and taught in the Energy Management program at Lane Community College, was able to diagnose the problem.

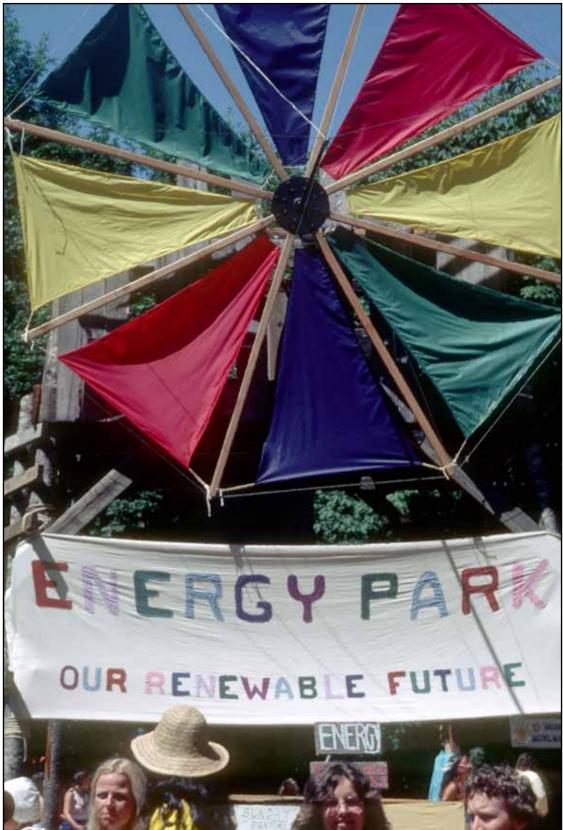
The builder "had taken big barrels and laid them on a rack, painted them black, and then spun them so that the fittings on the bottom came off and made a showerhead so you could take showers," Tom recalls. "Only trouble was, when you keep water in a black barrel, all the hot water goes to the top and all the cold water goes to the bottom. So when you turned the showers on, all you got was freezing-ass cold showers. When they tried to tear it down when it was over, they almost scalded themselves with the hot water that was on the top."

For the 1982 Fair, Sallie asked Tom to take charge of the solar showers. "I took one of the barrels," Tom says, "and put it up, brought the water in to it so it was higher than the others and you could push the hot water over the top of the barrels, and we had the solar showers going. And I said, 'Well, I better take this camp site back here behind the showers. In case something goes wrong, I can be here to fix them.' And all these years later, here I am in the camp site behind the showers. And yes, I do get desperate calls periodically, 'Tom! There's no water!' And I have to get up and go fix it."

Energy Park is born

In 1982, the area was renamed Energy Park because the original name was too similar to an existing business in Oregon. That same year, an information desk was added with "a variety of informative literature on solar, wind, geothermal and hydro power and most importantly on energy conservation," the Peach Pit noted. "Energy experts will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have."

Many of the original groups returned to hand out literature and visit with Fair-goers about how to live more sustainably. "There were all these little groups that were doing something like that, and it was a ball," says Sue Jakabosky. "We were young, we were idealistic, and everything was happening. Solar was just taking off like crazy. We were sure we were saving the world. Had they listened to us then (three decades ago), oh my gosh, think where we would be now!"



The Fair's area demonstrating alternative energy options has been called Energy Park since 1982.

Literary Council Seeks Topnotch Volunteers

To the Editor,

With the strained economic times that inspire grass-roots protest, there is a population that has a harder time than most. It is the one comprised of people for whom reading is difficult, those who have been unable to read above a third-grade level. About 13 percent of the population of Lane County falls into this category. The Literacy Council of Eugene-

What about the Front of The Fair?

Charlie Ruff, General Manager

Last year the OCF convened a stakeholder meeting to begin a conversation about the evolving needs of the areas outside the Eight, where much of our event staging takes place. This area, the entrance for our guests and most of us, includes our parking lots, Ms Piggy's lot, lower Refer Camp, event ticket will-call, our wristband sticker booth, Alter Abled Access services, medallion row for food booths, and work

Springfield is the one agency offering tutoring help for those individuals.

As it winds up its 50th year, the Literacy Council of Eugene-Springfield is launching a recruitment project for board of directors, students, tutors and staff. We need strong, committed volunteers for the board, because a tutoring program is an ongoing service. Learners who are successful in this program do go on to other programs. Sometimes they are referred by other programs. The tutor pool needs the support of a strong board and staff.

As longtime volunteer Mary Griggs put it, we need "courageous self-starters." Those are the sort of volunteers we need, whether they be directors, staff, tutors of reading or tutors of English as a second language.

In Lane County we have such people; they just haven't known about the Literacy Council. With the help of the Jill Heiman Vision Fund and the Oregon Country Fair, the Literacy Council plans to get the word out about the services it offers and the need for volunteers.

It is another choice in the array of services offered to people whose lives demand more than they seem to be able to give.

Gail Weathers

Program Coordinator, Literacy Council of Eugene-Springfield

and camping areas for Traffic, Admissions, External Security, Lot crew and so much more.

BOD Work Session

February 11, 2012, Hilyard Community Center, 2580 Hilyard St, Eugene, 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm On February 11 we will hold the second gathering devoted to the "Front of the Fair." We will build on the discussion of the first meeting, where we initially explored the issues, needs and opportunities currently facing us there, and turn our focus to clearly defining and prioritizing

them. Such an understanding will be essential to a clear path forward and a safer, more functional and welcoming entryway into the heart of our wonderland.

This meeting is a board work session and all are invited. So please join us for this important work of organizational planning. Whether you are already a part of the conversation as an identified stakeholder or just now jumping in, we all have a role in manifesting our future. I hope we will see you there.



Directors present: Diane Albino, John 'Chewie' Burgess, Saman Harnsongkram, Lucy Kingsley (alternate), Jack Makarchek, Deane Morrow, Indigo Ronlov (facilitator), Lawrence 'LT' Taylor; Bear Wilner-Nugent. **away:** Paxton Hoag, Anna Scott, Jon Silvermoon. **Peach Gallery present:** 10 members and guests, 4 staff (Charlie, norma, Andy, Tony), and 2 officers (Hilary, Bill).

Agenda review

Old business: Approve December minutes (Indigo); Appoint Diane McWhorter to the Craft Committee (Deane); Barter Fair (Indigo); Create GM Budget line item for Community Center (Deane); Occupy Support (Chewie)

Tabled business: By-Laws Revision (LT); Barter Fair (Indigo)

New business: Appoint Peggy Day Fitzgerald, Jain Elliot and Jim Goettler to the Elders Committee; Occupy Eugene report and proposal (Chewie); New and Revised Guidelines approval (see the list of proposals below)

Announcements

The Elders Committee is accepting members and will meet on the 27th. (Diane)

The Board Budget approval meeting is scheduled for January 30th, 7pm, at the Hilyard Community Center at 24th and Hilyard. (norma)

Occupy Eugene sent a message of "thanks" for the December financial support. (David Monks)

The Sasquatch Brew Festival is holding a poster and art contest; see the website for information; Fair Family members are encourage to participate. (Chewie)

Board Donations

Two new requests were received in December. Youth for the Education and Prevention of Sexual Assault's request will be sponsored by Bear. Dance for a Reason's request will be sponsored by Indigo. There are two existing requests from November. Network Charter School's request will be sponsored by Chewie. The Looking Glass request will be sponsored by Diane. These requests will be considered at the March meeting.

Reports

General Manager: Charlie said the Fair's entry in the Veneta Parade of Lights was very well received and all who participated are appreciated. We won the People's Choice prize. Jay Hogan, Jeff, Tony and Andyman get our special thanks for their great efforts.

The big bulk of the Budget cycle work is etting done and our growth in recent years is driving some recommendations for alternatives. With norma's assistance, we are upgrading to Quick Books from the 1999 system, effective with the beginning of this month. There will be some changes so expect some "wonky" looks as the new system gets settled in. The Fair purchased 40.83 acres of land last month in the area east of the Long Tom River and toward Territorial. Some of the property is from Forrest Larson (about 22 riparian Oak forest acres) and some from a swap with the City of Veneta (about 18 acres) that will help our access to the Far Side. Recognition and thanks are due to Laura and Robert DeSpain for their past hospitality for the traditional January Coordinator's Potluck. This month's gathering, in a larger venue, will review timelines and budget recommendations. Board

members are encouraged to attend.

Also in January there will be first-time training for arbitrators to support the grievance process. Kat Kirkpatrick, grievance administrator, will be helping to get this process in place. Board members are invited to attend and to participate.

A Board work-session is planned for February 11, from 12:30 to 4pm at Hilyard Community Center, to work on the next phase of the Front of the Fair plans and visions. The area outward from Dragon Plaza has changed very little in 20 years; many stakeholders have an interest; and all are invited to participate. This is the second in a series of conversations.

Administrative Assistant: norma wished everyone a Happy New Year. The Quick Books work was underway during December and is still underway but will be in place for 2012. A lot of postholiday catch up with e-mails and phone calls has been happening. Guideline wordsmith edits are underway.

Some of the application forms for the 2012 Fair are now available - Craft Booth, Food Booth and some of the Entertainment applications can be submitted now. They are on the website or at the office. Information sheets come with the forms.

Site Manager: Andyman (continuing his substitution for Steve) said December is the 'month of least happening' on the site, it's the opposite of June, but there is still the weather. Most of the month accumulated about 0.15" of rainfall up until December 27th when the rain hit. The site was flooded for a couple of days, some riverbank collapsed at the Strawberry Jam, and an Oak tree came down in Energy Park and another near Alice's.

Renee and some of the water crew were out to do some clean up. About six old couches were hauled away off to the dump. Andyman says this comes to about a hundred couches he has dealt with through the years - if you are thinking of bringing a couch to the Fair, it gets dirty and you probably won't want to take it home later, it's just not a good idea. Bringing lawn or patio furniture and then taking it home after is a much better choice. The VegManECs were also on site doing some leaf handling at Main Stage. The next Highway Pick-Up is on Sunday, Jan 15th. Meet at 10am at the warehouse.

Assistant Manager: Tony said the holidays were a great time to get up to see family and spend time with them. The months ahead are exciting with the Budget process, the Front of the Fair discussion, some new efforts with the website project, and the crew work during this part of our event cycle. Thanks need to be said to Charlie and Jack for all the work they did on the land purchase - they put in many hours with the complicated negotiations and the details on the ground.

Treasurer's Report: Happy New Year; Hilary said a lot of work has been done and there is one more meeting coming up but we may cry 'uncle' and have one or two more. First the revenue is projected and then the expenses for a two year cycle are worked out in preparation for the Board's decisions. Three stars, three people, deserve special thanks for the work of liaising with the committees Sheldon Doty, Chris Browne and Tony Clementi. They do a really great job of helping and advising the committees, participating, meeting deadlines, attending to details and attending meetings. As we took a first look and reviewed the numbers, it became apparent we are in the red by \$100,000 with the initial projections for the year. It's not an impossible amount to overcome so expect some changes and understand that we need to keep up our efforts to stretch those dollars, in many areas, in order to do the most important things that are costly but safe and wise. We have shown that we can do a lot with a little; we are actually only a medium size non-profit organization; we keep a lot of balls in the air. We need to hold our trust and spend wisely and carefully to keep it going and take care of our big picture.

Approve Minutes

Indigo moved, Bear seconded, to approve the minutes from the December 2012 Board meeting. The minutes were approved 8-0-1 (Chewie abstained).

Old Business

Deane moved, Chewie seconded, to appoint Diane McWhorter to the Craft Committee. After brief discussion, the motion passed 9-0. Diane is a crafter, is welcome on the committee, and is a great asset -Cathy. She has been serving as the committee scribe -Bill K. She has been crafting at the Fair for a long time -norma. Thanks for stepping up -Deane.

Deane moved, Bear seconded, to move \$25,000 from the funds designated for the Community Center to the General Manager's budget for initial design of the Community Center project. After discussion the motion passed 9-0. Peach Gallery: The money is already set aside and this frees it up for use on the project -Tony. It will add flexibility to the process -Joseph. These funds were set aside and this is a request to use a part of those funds for initial design work, possibly by outside professionals, to prepare a proposal that considers how big, where it can fit, and some other planning elements; it will help identify the issues; this will take several months - Hilary. We will end up with a site plan we can use for the permitting process and other next steps -Charlie. Board: This is design development work -Jack. Hopefully the proposal will show a two staged process with a kitchen facility first and an enclosed gathering area second -Saman. The Board motion to go ahead was for a phased plan starting with a commercial kitchen; approving this is not a decision to build -Hilary. To be clear, this \$25,000 is not a part of the presently anticipated budget overage for 2012; some people in the Fair Family have expressed disdain for a Community Center; this is going to get us to a vision that will focus the discussion about all the aspects -Chewie.

Occupy Eugene: Chewie asked for information about the Occupy Eugene status. David Monks explained the Washington-Jefferson site is finished and Occupy Eugene is working from two new locations, an empty warehouse at 7th and Polk - until March if they can pay for some furnace service work and utilities - and an office at Growers Market. Volunteers are giving time and energy every week. The warehouse is used as a day center where food and support is available including medical attention that is donated two days a week by a local physician. There are hundreds of volunteers, many committees in operation, and on-going training exercises. A landline phone and internet service would be a great help. Ongoing financial help is really needed. The money is handled by a finance committee where the available funds are very carefully guarded and allocated. The Fair helped with

\$1000 last month and twice that amount is needed for heating fuel and medical supplies.

Chewie moved, Deane seconded, to donate \$1000 from the Board's change line to CALC for Occupy Eugene's use and to request a report from Occupy Eugene at the February meeting. After discussion, the motion passed 8-0-1 (Lucy abstained). Peach Gallery: The money would be very beneficial right now -Spirit. The Occupy movement is something big that is going on until we see change in our world -Joseph. The last discussion was about a lack of structure; how many people are there; \$1000 was given for December but the site closed on the 20th; how was the money used -Tony? The Bucks service was settled for \$800 with \$200 left over; there are committees in place to run the activities; and with the move there is no longer any overnight camping at the warehouse so there are

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only about a dozen homeless folks; we call the location Occupy 5 - David. **Board:** Last month's concern regarding CALC is settled; it's good to hear some money was left over; I support the objectives of Occupy now that the work is not about having an encampment - Chewie. The assistance for the homeless is good, thanks for not turning them away -Deane. The motion passed.

Indigo moved, Bear seconded, that the Barter Fair is discontinued in South Miss Piggy's, beginning 2012, and that the Board of Directors direct management to explore implementing a Blanket Barter Fair in a location to be determined for the Monday following the 2013 Fair. During discussion, friendly amendments were accepted. The amended motion reads "the Barter Fair is discontinued in South Miss Piggy's in 2013, and that the Board of Directors direct management to explore implementing a Monday Market, that is pedestrian only with vendors occupying up to a 10x10 space, in a location to be determined by management for the Monday following the 2013 Fair." At the end of discussion Indigo moved, Chewie seconded, to table the motion. The motion to table passed 6-3 (Jack, Bear and Deane opposed). Peach Gallery: This decision has been avoided for some time and the Barter Fair needs to be stopped now to relieve the problems with moving out on Monday -Bill K. Does this mean just moving the Barter Fair; who will be using South Miss Piggy's this year -Spirit? The motion is to take a year off and find a place for the following year - Indigo. It's good to table this for a month but delay the break to next year so it won't be a surprise and cause financial hardships - Spirit. The Barter Fair is a big part of some people's Fair so avoid the shock and maybe just move it but don't take it away -Bryon. Path Planning has not developed a plan showing the need for the space, beyond the tree line, and we will still need replacement camping if South Miss Piggy's is used for something else so leave it like it is -Joseph. Too many families will be affected adversely; most crafter shows are planned long in advance -Elizabeth. Board: The Barter Fair will take a year off so we can see who is camping there and see how the space is used -Indigo. Chewie asked for a friendly amendment to discontinue the Barter Fair in South Miss Piggy's in 2013 instead of 2012 and find a new location for it in 2014. Bear accepted the friendly amendment. Indigo accepted a change to discontinue in 2013 at South Miss Piggy's but also keeping implementation of a new location in 2013. Peach Gallery: Take out the blanket limitation -Diane M. Allowing time for giving notice at the 2012 Barter Fair is good; what about a load-in, load-out system instead of blanket vending -Spirit. A clear vision of the change is needed before deciding -Bryon. It is important to move the Barter Fair, the space is needed for the greater good of the Fair daytime event, such as Craft's Lot repurposing and other pieces of the puzzle; we need to make our weekend daytime participant's experience and the three-day event the priority -Hilary. Some people like and other people don't like the Barter Fair; its evolved over many years, organically and chaotically; we need the time to pull back and see what we need; not many folks trade at the Barter Fair relative to the bigger event but the Barter Fair takes a lot of resources, in relative terms, on a difficult day; the Front of the Fair discussion applies here; moving to a new place, load-in/load-out, and pedestrian only from 11-3 are all good ideas; this is a good motion as we grapple with the question to find the right fit; staff and booth people, the Craft Committee and Booth folks all have interests and concerns with the question; we need to find what we need for who we are today; it's time to rethink and get something that is better for everybody - Charlie.

This process is new to us; Path Planning is looking at Craft's Lot for a new area for the Fair and adequate replacement camping is needed; moving Barter Fair opens up the puzzle; the amended motion is a first step to improve the Fair for the participants and crafters -Chris. Thanks to Indigo for putting this forward and being ready to take the heat; operational and holistic approaches to the problem really mean Barter Fair can't continue in South Miss Piggy's; we need hard discussion; our culture of chaotic development, a relative perspective, and our unfettered organism, has lead to a nightmare on Monday; but remember, it's still a place a person can get something from the Fair for five bucks; Barter Fair participants need to be involved in the discussion -Tony. The Fair needs to reach out to the Barter Fair community about this; some in that community are hard to draw into discussion -Joseph. There should be no feeling of alienation; we are a community that discusses and listens; it takes all spokes of the wheel -Jen-Lin. Board: This issue has been here for a few years so let's figure it out; I've had 13 calls in the last two days about this motion; the Barter Fair will move; let's have a discussion and figure it out; Michelle Shocked sang the lyrics "the secret to a long life is knowing when to go" -Chewie. This motion will probably pass tonight and I would support it if 'blanket' was changed to 'small booth' -Deane. Indigo agreed to change the motion to say a 10x10 space, pedestrian only, and Bear agreed. We need to do what is best for the whole community and understand how each piece of the land serves our best interests; Barter Fair doesn't relate to these goals; people should not rely on the Barter Fair for their income; the Barter Fair undercuts our craft guidelines; it drains our resources - radios, management and volunteers - on a key day; we should vote tonight -Bear. One problem is the imports; the survey says 40% are imports or manufactured items; so can we eliminate them -Saman? In the 80's the Board created the Barter Fair for trade among the crafters within the Fair Family; it has moved far away from that original intention; we need to return it to the Fair organism with guidelines about handcrafting and buying from the maker -Lucy. Relocating is a no brainer and is the easy part; we should table the motion for a month because some of our Board are not here to comment and vote; we should not make philosophical comments about how to make a living; there is very little handcrafting on this Board -LT. I support the move but the area won't be empty; I support the crafter lifestyle and trading from foreign places; Barter Fair is a way to clean out the closets, sell plants, it's our freedom to express ourselves away from the main event; and since we all have and use foreign items, like cell phones and electronics made overseas with cheap labor, we should not be hypocritical -Diane. To be positive, this change could be modeled on the Saturday Market; creative use of a space could be a wonderful addition and it might grow from fifty or sixty 10x10's to two hundred and fifty 10x10's in 8 or 10 years; let us embrace this idea and then think about a location like the Dead Lot; not a Barter Fair but a Market; we can evolve into the best possible spin on this with the participation of people; we need to be as up front as possible and remember we are a very creative bunch -Jack. Table this for the full Board; 'location to be determined' assumes we mean on the Fair site -Diane. Recognize that two hundred booths is, in reality, a fourth day of the Fair -Chewie. This motion only says to move it so we should pass it tonight -Deane. The amended motion is that "the Barter Fair is discontinued in South Miss Piggy's in 2013, and that the Board of Directors direct management to explore implementing a Monday Market, that is pedestrian only with vendors occupying up to a 10x10 space, in a location to be determined by management for the Monday following the 2013 Fair" -Indigo. The motion was tabled.

Member Input

Why table the motion to wait for the other Board members, we have elected alternates -Hilary?

Consider the people involved when selecting a new location -Spirit.

Selling imports at a handcrafted event seriously affects the market potential for the crafters and undercuts their lifestyle; handcrafting cannot compete with \$1/hour products -Bill W.

The Saturday Market is very aware of protecting their niche; unique handcrafting is diminishing in our society; an un-juried fair next to our juried fair is a concern -Diane M.

New business motions should be fully written out for the Board members so the intentions are clear -Deane.

This Monday Market should be subject to the same guidelines as nighttime products -Cathy.

When the Board considers a motion it is easy to go off track if the motion is not in a written form that allows for easy reference; new motions should be completely written out for the new business section in the minutes -Bill G.

A Board work-session after the 2012 Fair is needed to get these Barter Fair questions resolved; we'll be making plans; stay tuned -Indigo.

Guidelines are the guidelines and need to be adhered to and followed; this Barter Fair discussion reminds us of that; we need better process, like tonight, with the motion language; I really appreciate everyone who participates in our discussion -Chewie.

This week marks half way point in our annual cycle; we are headed toward the 2012 Fair -Bear.

Good news, it'.s downhill from here. Thank you all for providing me stability and joy in my life which is increasingly unpredictable and unstable lately -LT.

Support the Youth for the Education and Prevention of Sexual Assault and their fund-raising effort; donate and take advantage of their "I've been flamingoed" program -Jen-Lin.

The Occupy movement is intended to address economic inequality in our society but Occupy Eugene seems to be more about caring for the homeless; the press and publicity is confusing; both purposes are good and valuable but which is it -Chris?

President's Peace

The Iraq war finally came to an end on a day this past December. The irony, we should note, for the near and dear ideas of peace and a healthy environment, is how we liberated 40.83 acres from production for 350 days of the year on the same day that war ended. What a strange world we live in, I love you all, Happy New Year -Jack.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm. The

next regular meeting is February 6th at 7pm at EWEB. The Board of Directors Budget meeting is January 30th at 7pm at the Hilyard Community Center.

Tentative agenda for February:

Appoint Peggy Day Fitzgerald, Jain Elliot and Jim Goettler to the Elders Committee (Diane); By-Laws Revision (LT)

Occupy Eugene report and proposal (Chewie) Barter Fair (Indigo): "I move that the Barter Fair is discontinued in South Miss Piggy's in 2013, and that the BoD direct management to explore implementing a Monday Market, that is pedestrian only with vendors occupying up to a 10x10 space, in a location to be determined by management for the Monday following the 2013 Fair."

New and Revised Guideline proposals: (The

listed guideline proposals are the new language. To understand what is new or deleted or changed, compare these with the existing 2011 guidelines which can be found at http://www.oregoncountryfair.net/Pages/Guidelines2011.pdf.)

3. Overnight Credentials (change ages): Wristbands cost \$30 each for teens age 14 through 18 and \$10 each for youth 11 - 13.

3. Overnight Credentials (an addition): You must present your fair issued overnight credentials for inspection when requested by a staff member. Inspection of wristbands may include, but is not limited to, touching and/or tugging the wristband to ensure it is secure, visual confirmation of registration number, and visual inspection of the wristband for other security elements. Inspection of a photo id may include, but is not limited to, touching the identification so as to be able to view the photograph, comparison of the photograph to the person presenting the photo id, and inspection of the back of the identification to view both the registration number and other security elements. Thus, if you do not want your wristband tugged on, get a photo id. If you do choose to get a photo id, please be sure that your photograph is not so "artistic" such that the photograph depicts you in such a manner that the photo cannot be readily matched to you. Unfortunately, the inspection of overnight credentials takes a little time so please be tolerant and cooperative as you pass through a check point - remember that OCF security staff are volunteers. Failure to cooperate with a request for inspection of your credentials may result in forfeiture of those credentials and removal from the property. All persons asked to leave the property by security or management must surrender fair issued credentials.

5. Volunteers (language change): CREW SERVICES: To facilitate the well-being of OCF volunteers during the Fair, Crew Services provides a variety of services, including hospitality and showers. A hospitality center is located in the Flowin'Notes shower area by the Ware-House (Friday to Sunday nights from 7pm to 10pm) serving warm drinks and small nibbles. Hospitality is also located in Main Camp (noon to 5pm, Friday through Sunday; access is from the gate to the left of the Youth Stage) serving cool drinks, fresh baked goodies and a light buffet. Free showers for staff and performers are located at dahinda's Acres, Flowin' Notes, and on the Far Side. Hours vary, but most are open early and stay open until around 10pm. Bring your own towel and shower supplies.

6. Main Camp (language change): Pre-Fair, the Staff Kitchen serves meals for working crews only. Coordinators of pre-Fair working crews are responsible for turning in an advance meal count to Main Camp Quartermaster no later than 9am for lunch, 2pm for dinner, and 8pm for breakfast the next morning. After these times, no more ticket requests are possible and your working crewmembers will have to wait for seconds. Coorinators or their representative can pick up tickets from Quartermaster. See section 5 for more meal ticket details. 6. Main Camp (an addition): All youth/minors onsite during Main Camp must be registered with Quartermaster by the responsible parent or guardian by completing and submitting an OCF Minor on Site form. Forms are available online at oregoncountryfair.net, or upon arrival via the greeter, JYD or at QM. If possible please have this form filled out for all minors or youth in your company prior to arrival to facilitate quicker access to the site as all vehicles with minors must stop to ensure this paperwork is completed and on file before accessing the site. 8. No Dogs (add last sentences): The prohibition of dogs on site, except service dogs, is in effect from June 1 through August 31. Anyone

who refuses to comply will be told to leave. You may be placed on probation or banned from the property for violating this guideline. Dogs that attack, or fight with other dogs, will be banned from the site. Dogs that chase or harass wildlife will also be banned from the site.

9. Photography and Video (additions): Still photography at the Fair is allowed and may happen as part of the event. To protect people's privacy, please ask for permission before you take photographs of youth (ask their parents) and people who are not fully clothed. We strive for respect of all people and want people to feel able to express themselves at the Oregon Country Fair. You have the right not to be photographed if asked. Fair photographers will have an ID laminate which indicates they are registered with the Fair. If you feel you are being inappropriately photographed please report it to Fair Central or the nearest Info Booth.

Video Cameras: Due to our agreement with performers, no video cameras are allowed on site from Wednesday, July 6 through Monday, July 11, except those belonging to credentialed media representatives or people who have made prior arrangements with the Video Crew through the office. Please do not take video footage from a cell phone or other such device with out permission from the subject. Failure to follow this guideline may result in your removal from the Fair.

41. Camping (deletions and date changes): CAMPING BEFORE AND AFTER THE FAIR. Camping, before and after the Fair, is limited to working Main Camp crews. Booth people setting up for the Fair with authorization from their Booth Representative may camp from June 2 to July 12. The Fair does not provide meals for booth workers.

(second paragraph changes): All campers and their belongings must be packed up, packed out and off site no later than 11am, Tuesday July 17.

45. Campsites (addition): BARTER FAIR.

Please note that after 2012, the barter Fair will no longer be in South Miss Piggy's, and camping will no longer be provided for Barter Fair participants. See section 55 for more details.

45. Campsites (rewritten): CRAFTS LOT and SOUTH MISS PIGGY's. All OCF camping and environmental guidelines apply. To camp in the Crafts Lot you must have a wristband, vehicle sticker, and Crafts Lot sticker before you will be able to enter the Crafts Lot. To camp in South Miss Piggy's you must have a wristband, vehicle sticker and South Miss Piggy's sticker before you will be able to enter South Miss Piggy's.

BARTER FAIR. The Barter Fair is discontinued from its location in South Miss Piggy's. Camping will no longer be provided for Barter Fair participants. See Section 55 of these guidelines for more information.

45. Campsites (add times and dates): Zenn Acres opens at 9am on Wednesday before the Fair. No camping is permitted before Wednesday unless permission is received from Host. Zenn campers must check in with Host upon arrival.

55. Barter Fair (wholesale change): Beginning this year, the Barter Fair will no longer be held in South Miss Piggy's, and will be postponed for further consideration. Post-fair 2012, the possibility of a new Blanket Barter Fair will be reassessed and explored for 2013. Specific details will be in the 2013 Guidelines.
55. Barter Fair Sales: 2012 is the last year the Barter Fair will be held in South Miss Piggy's. Postfair, the Barter Fair location and systems will be reassessed. Specific details about 2013 Barter Fair will be in the 2013 Guidelines.

cluding during the Barter Fair.

55. Barter Fair Sales (an addition): No sales of alcohol are permitted.

62. Prohibited Items (add phrase re medicine): Imported or manufactured items are inappropriate for the Oregon Country Fair. No pipes, bongs, or other tools to ingest illegal drugs, nor any other drug paraphernalia, may be displayed or sold on OCF property at any time except for the after hour display and sale of medicine delivery devices. Crafters who believe that any of their items may be interpreted by staff to be in violation of this guideline should contact the Craft Committee at the Fair office before the April 1 craft jury deadline each year to resolve questions about what they may exhibit at the Fair.

75. Menu (additions): Registration materials for food booths include a menu form that must be completed each year. Returning vendors who are planning a change of menu are subject to re-evaluation by the Food Committee. Food vendors at the Fair are required to make a significant contribution to the menu items they serve. Prepare as many items as possible from scratch. Some element of your principle items must be made from scratch. Mere assembly does not constitute a significant contribution. We encourage you to use fresh ingredients, sourced locally and organic whenever possible.

78. County Regulations (change dates): Food sales can begin Thursday, July 12 at noon, and must end by Monday, July 16 at 1pm. As of Monday, July 16, at 1pm, food booths will not sell or give away food. All County regulations regarding food handling and food service apply to pre- and post-Fair kitchens, and OCF hospitality.

New. Food Booth Representative: In addition to the guidelines for all Booth Reps defined in Section 47, the following additions apply specifically to food booth reps. The food booth rep must be on the Fair property for at least half of the hours that their booth is open. The food booth rep must be reachable by phone throughout the entirety of the Fair. Each food booth rep should have a valid Food Handler's card. All booth reps must attend the mandatory meeting or submit notification of a specific sand-in who works in the booth.

In the event of a booth rep transition within a food booth, the booth rep position may be transferred to another member of the booth as long as they have a minimum of 5 years working in the booth. All such requests for booth rep status transfer will be verified by Booth Registration Crew and approved by the Food Committee. During any such transition the booth will be automatically subject to a two year probationary period. Final approval of transfer will be pending successful completion of the probationary period. The OCF reserves the right, when necessary, to appoint food booth representatives, to reject the transfer of food booth representative

Each vendor will pay a fee according to the size of the space. All health, safety and environmental guidelines must be followed (see Sections 11, 13 and 77) as well as all state and county laws.

All imported items should be Fair Trade or obtained directly from the source.

No pipes, bongs or other tools to ingest illegal drugs, nor any other drug paraphernalia, may be displayed or sold on OCF property at any time, in-

status or to revoke food booth representative status.

New. Strolling food Vendors: Strolling food vendors are reduced sized food booths which must have the ability to move their booth when called upon to do so. Typically their menus are limited in order to accommodate food preparation in a small space. Strolling food carts must be no larger than 4'x6'. Storage must extend no further than 3 feet behind booth and must adhere to the aesthetic guidelines of the food committee. Strolling vendors must follow the health department sanitation guidelines for temporary restaurants. Booth placement must be such that it does not interfere with traffic or visibility of other booths.

Each strolling food vendor must have a hand washing station, as described in Section 8, if serving any item not prepackaged in single servings.

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