

**BROKER
KATIE'S**

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Local Happenings Around Lane County & Some Real Estate News

HAPPY MAY!

Happy May everyone! I will say that this month really got away from me. I was sitting here realizing a week in, that I never sent out my newsletter! Eeeeeek! Some may repeat from last yr. Sorrrrry!



LOCAL HAPPENINGS

This month around town:

- Every Sat- Eugene Saturday Market
- Every Tues- Lane Co Farmers Market
- 3-5th- Oakridge Tree Planting Festival
- 10th- Sweet Salvage Vintage Fair
- 11th- Royalty For a Day 2023
- 11th- Foam Wonderland
- 12-14th- Creswell City Wide Yard Sale
- 16th- USAA Track and Field State Championships
- 16-19th- Florence Rhododendron Fest
- 18th- Eugene BOOMERAMA 50+ Health & Age Less Living Expo
- 19th- Piccadilly Flea Market
- 19th- Bark in the Park Run/Walk
- 19th- Mt Pisgah Wildflower & Music Fest
- 24th- Asian Night Market
- 24-25th- Spring Marketplace Springfield
- 25th- Night at the Raptor Center
- 25th- Eugene Scottish Festival
- 25th- Memorial Day Boat Regatta
- 25th- The Prefontaine Classic
- 25th- Oakshire Fun Bike Ride
- 26th- Eugene Tea Festival
- 31-1st- Function 4 Junction Car Show & Car Cruise

THINGS TO CELEBRATE

Holidays in May:

5th: Cinco De Mayo
12th: Mothers Day
27th: Memorial Day





FREE PLANT ON ME

This month you should be receiving a postcard from me to redeem for a free bedding plant. If you pick one up send me a picture so I can see what you got!

SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

This month take that plant postcard and head down to Grays Garden Center for your Spring flowers and vegetables! They are a wonderful locally owned business and have a very knowledgeable staff to help answer question and get you what you need for your outdoor spaces. They have 2 convenient locations and this month you have a free plant there from me with the postcard I sent you!



SPRING HOME CHECKLIST

This May its a good time to check in on a few things around your property.

- Lawn Care- grass is going crazy and its important to adjust your mower blade height for different seasons. Also spring is a great time for fertilizer.
- Preventative Pest Control- with warmer terms comes pests. Go around and seal up cracks and cut away vegetation from the home and perhaps get someone to spray the perimeter.
- Inspect Roof & Gutters- as we move into warmer weather it is a great time to check out the roof and clean out the gutters!
- Prepare Garden Beds- time to clear out the debris and add compost and mulch to the soil to prep for planting.





INTEREST RATES

If you are following interest rates this year I am sure your head is spinning. We have been seeing them go up and then hold steady. The Fed is set to look at the economy in June and decide how they want to move forward but we are not predicting to see any major changes until closer to the end of the year. We are back up to close to 8% and its really hurting buyers who were enjoying the lower rates we saw earlier this year and even in previous years. We are all waiting to see how it plays out this year but this is might not be the time to refi.



THINGS WITH ME

Back in April I went to Hawaii for 10 days and it was a nice trip away. The weather was not the best (who knew they had a wet and windy month) but it was still a nice time away. Other than that people buying and selling homes are keeping me so very busy and I appreciate all of you sending me your referrals of friend and family looking to make a move. <3



LETS WRAP UP

As always, thank you for taking the time to read my monthly newsletter. Do you have anything you would like me to include that you think would be valuable? I would love to hear from you.

And if you ever want to get together for a coffee, a drink or a lunch to catch up the invite is always there. Let me know. I appreciate you all and your referrals so much! Thanks & have a great month!!