

**BROKER
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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Local Happenings Around Lane County & Some Real Estate News

HAPPY OCTOBER

Happy October! It is really starting to feel like fall this week! Take a look at what I found for you in and around Lane County this month.

OCTOBER!



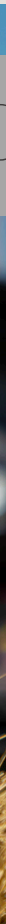
LOCAL HAPPENINGS

- Every Sat & Tues- Eugene Markets
- Most Saturdays- Duck Football Games
- 1-31st- 2022 Colonial Harvest Days & Corn Maze @ Northern Lights Farm
- Dates Vary- Ghostly Golf at Camp Putt
- Every weekend- Apple Daze: at Detering Orchards
- All Month - Coburg Scarecrow Festival
- 2-4th - Clay Fest @ Fairgrounds
- 4th- Picc-a-dilly flea market
- 9th- Fall RV show @ fairgrounds
- 16-17th- FunACon 2025 @ fairgrounds
- 23rd- Eugene Ski Swap
- 23-25th- Lane Co Home Improvement Show @ Fairgrounds
- 24-25th - Circles in the Sand in Florence
- 24-25th- Willamette Valley Handmade Market - fairgrounds
- 25th- Halloween Carnival @ Bob Keefer
- 25th-Mushroom Festival @ Mount Pisgah Arboretum
- 30th- Voices for Kids Luncheon - CASA
- 30-31st- Haunted Market @ 5th street

THINGS TO CELEBRATE

Holidays in September:

12th- Columbus Day
12th- Indigenous Peoples' Day
31st- Halloween





PUMPKIN TIME!

Check your mailboxes because you should have a postcard from me for a free Pumpkin or gourd to Thistledown Farms just outside of Eugene off River road. I want to get you something for the Fall Holiday and when you see it you can think of me. Send me a picture of your pumpkin if you go get one!

SMALL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

I did a post about Eugene's foodie treasures and I posted about 10 of my favorite places around town. I got a lot of comments of places I missed so I have been trying them. I went to El Nopalito and had some of the best Mexican food in town! I only had tacos but the meat was so well flavored and I can NOT WAIT to go back! Parking can be a little tricky on Willamette street but it is so worth it! Thank me later.



SOME HOUSING

It's been a bumpy ride for interest rates recently, and while this last week was no exception, the pace subsided slightly. Nonetheless, rates moved higher, with Wednesday seeing the highest average 30-year fixed rate since November 1, 2023. Rates are currently hovering around 7.5%, which continues to put pressure on affordability and has kept some buyers on the sidelines. But the buyers who are in a position to make a move are finding less competition than we saw a few years ago, and sellers are having to be more realistic about pricing and terms and overall concessions.





SEASONAL FUN

Pumpkin patches and Apple Orchards are two places I like to explore in October. When you visit you can look to see if they are hosting other events for the season as well, including; corn mazes, apple picking, hay rides out to the pumpkin patches, and even freshly made apple cider! Check out Detering Orchards, Thistledown Farms, Johnson Farms, Hentze Family Farm, Herrick Farm & last but not least the Northern Lights Tree Farm.

THINGS WITH ME

I leave for Europe in 2 days! I am pretty excited to be taking a couple weeks off and headed to Italy and a few other countries with my mom, dad and youngest sister. If you have any places in Italy I need to go to or things to do, I'll be in Venice, Rome and the Amalfi coast. I have someone covering for me while I am away and you will all be taken care of if you need anything.



LET'S 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 next month that you think would be valuable? I would love to hear from you.

Also, if you ever want to get together for coffee, lunch or happy hour to catch up, I would love it! I appreciate you all so much! Thanks & have a great month!!