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Portland Pay Day drawing on Sept. 8

PORTLAND - The grand prize drawing for the annual Portland pay Day promotion will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m., at Two Rivers Park in downtown Portland. Portland Pay Day is an event that encourages and rewards people for shopping in Portland. Any person 18 years or older that spends at least \$10 or more in a participating business and brings the receipts to either Distinctive Occasions (160 Kent Street) or Around the Block Quilt Shop (120 Maple Street) will be entered into a drawing to win over \$1,500 or other great prizes. The deadline for receipt redemption is 5 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 3.

Last year's grand prize winner was Becky Beard of Portland. For every \$10 spent in a participating business, a customer gets his or her name put into the drawing, which will be held on Sept. 8. "The more people spend at participating businesses, the more chances they have to win," said Main Street Manager Patrick Reagan. "It's a really great promotion that gives back to those people who shop locally."

This is the fourth year that Portland Main Street has worked with area businesses to host the Portland Pay Day promotion. In 2009, over \$57,000 was spent at participating businesses during the event. Wanda Urie, owner of Distinctive Occasions, believes that this event is a great way to give back to her customers and bring in some new ones as well.

"We have received quite a lot of positive feedback from our customers on this promotion in years past," said Urie. "Our participation in this event is our way of saying 'thank you' to those who shop here."

Participating businesses include the following:

- Grand Barber Lounge
- Around the Block Quilt Shop
- Hoort Law PLLC
- Midwest Business Equipment
- Randall J. Riemer, O.D., P.L.C.
- G&B Pool and Spa Supplies
- Cheeky Monkeys Coffeehouse and Bakery
- Portland Clinical and Therapeutic Massage
- Chocolate Moose
- Looking Grand Café
- Distinctive Occasions
- Raffaeles' Marketplace
- KFC of Portland
- Duff, Chadwick, and Associates
- Maria's Tacos

- Fluke Hearing
- Country Cupboard Floral and Gifts
- Jerry's Restaurant and Pub

For more information on Portland Pay Day, please call the Portland Main Street offices at (517) 647-5027, or visit the website at www.portlandmainstreet.org.

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