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LOCAL BRANDS ADD POLISH TO POT'S IMAGE

WHEN YOU SPOT THE MODERN single-story building near Ballard Avenue, it looks much like the craft breweries that dot the neighborhood. Inside, smiling staff members in black polo shirts stand behind the sleek cherrywood bar in a bright, airy space with polished concrete floors, ready to help you find something to help you unwind after a long day. But this isn't a craft brewery. Or a coffee shop. It's Stash Pot Shop. And the mainstream feel of the place is indicative of Seattle's evolving pot scene.

"It's not about stoners, slackers or Cheech & Chong anymore," says Jody Hall, head of The Goodship Company (thegoodship.com), a line of cannabis-infused treats sold at Stash (stashpotshop.com) and other local pot shops. Hall, who also owns Cupcake Royale, has plenty of experience creating high-end baked goods. Much as her cupcakes deliver a flavorful sugar rush, her Goodship products—such as Saigon cinnamon snickerdoodles and sea salt and chocolate chip cookies—deliver a delicious high.

"One of the things I wanted to do with Goodship is remove stigma," says Hall. "To get people to think about this as a different way to imbibe and connect, something you could bring to a dinner party like you might bring a nice bottle of wine."

She's not the only one thinking this way. "Potpreneurs" all over Seattle are looking to redefine the way cannabis is regarded and consumed. **L.H.**



Goodship cookies, \$8 each

LEARNING WITH POT

Last fall, Cupcake Royale's Jody Hall launched **Goodship Higher Learning**, a series of lectures presented at venues around Seattle—think TED Talks, but the speaker and audience members are encouraged to arrive under the influence of marijuana. Hall believes the drug promotes being present and open to listening to and discussing new ideas. Speakers have included a Google exec who discussed machine intelligence, a Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center scientist who talked about his work with suspended animation, and *The Stranger* editorial director Dan Savage, who pondered monogamy's place in contemporary society.

Higher Learning isn't about selling product, says Hall—for legal reasons, neither Goodship's goodies nor any other form of cannabis can be sold or consumed on the premises. The events are simply "a progressive way to enjoy [cannabis] in a really fun, safe, engaging, trusted way."

Find Goodship Higher Learning events at thegoodship.com



» April Pride, a Madison Park design entrepreneur and mom of two, launched her Van der Pop line of products to offer a chic, safe way to store your stash. Italian leather "Happy Sack" with programmable lock and key, from \$325, vanderpop.com



» Former writer for *The Stranger*, David Schmadler's handbook for enjoying marijuana covers the history of the drug, and provides information on its varieties, effects, and safety and legal issues. *Weed: The User's Guide*, \$18.95, sasquatchbooks.com



» This organic, all-natural cane sugar can be added to coffee or tea, or sprinkled on fruit or used in baked goods. The manufacturer hopes to introduce a cannabis-infused salt soon, too. *Ruby Cannabis Sugar*, \$6 for a 10 milligram packet, rubysweets.co



Smith Tower's 35th floor bar will harken back to the 1920s

High-rise Highballs

Smith Tower's makeover includes a new cocktail bar

WHEN THE HISTORIC 1914 SMITH TOWER REOPENS its 35th-floor observation deck this month after a recent overhaul, a new Prohibition era-inspired bar will be unveiled. Will there be flappers, gin fizzes and jazz? The folks at Unico Properties, which bought the building in 2015, were tight-lipped on the details at press time. But with an interior designed by Graham Babal Architects, the firm behind posh downtown eatery Miller's Guild, it's sure to honor its place in Seattle history. "We're honored to enhance [Smith Tower's] reputation as a premier city landmark," says Scott Brucker, senior asset manager at Unico Properties. The redesigned space will offer an "unparalleled and fully immersive experience" that mixes the present with the tower's past, says Brucker, adding that elements from the Chinese Room, such as the Wishing Chair, will be incorporated. But be careful what you wish for after sipping a few of those cocktails—legend promises marriage within a year to any single woman who sits in the chair. **HALEY DURSLAG**