

MANKATO

Farmers' Market



Sa 8 am - Noon
Tu & Th 3:30 - 6 pm

“Come to the market and get back to your roots...Everything local within 40 miles!”

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Mankato Farmers Market Newsletter



May 1st 2010 opened our 34th season. We have a new market manager Caroline Wood (represented in the avatar), 48 vendors and a 5 member board operating the market this year. The Mankato Area Growers Association is the parent organization of the Mankato Farmers' Market. President Leah Jewison, VP Bernie Kleinschmidt, Sec. Heidi

Thompson, Treas. Janice Guldan, and Bob Neumiller Member at large are the governing body of the market.

We are very excited about the updates and upgrades to our website. We now have a full list of vendors, a shopping list comprised of everything the vendors hope to grow or bring throughout the market this year, as well as this freE-Newsletter...now making its' debut. Visit us online at to view our great links for volunteering, vendor websites, facebook, and twitter. We hope to see you there. www.mankatofarmersmarket.com

This just in...the market is now offering busker's Anna Wigtil and Paul a place to fiddle. Welcome!

What's local fresh now???

Leaf Lettuce, Green Onion, Radishes, Spinach, Asparagus, Rhubarb, Garlic. Meats available: Pork, Chicken, Beef; Ribs, Jerky, Sausages. Jams + Jellies, Sauerkraut, V-3, Granola, Seasoning, BBQ Sauces, Edible flowers Pansies, Nasturtiums Herbs Rosemary, Cilantro, Basil, Chives, Oregano...

Annual Market Calendar 2010

- May 29th Veterans are Egg-ceptional and Community Open House (First 50 veterans receive a 2\$ off coupon for eggs.) Entertainment
- Jun 19th Kids Day Activities throughout the day to show our children appreciation and welcome them to the joy of Market day.
- Jul 3rd Flavor Fest
- Aug 1st - 7th National Farmers Market Week – Activities throughout the week
- Sep 14th Special Grandparents day events for our senior Tuesday...bring your grandkids to shop with you!
- Sep 25th Fall Harvest Festival – Events planned

Tu (3:30-5) of every week is *Senior & Specialty Market – We will work to create an atmosphere to support our communities' seniors and special needs entering/exiting and shopping the market for food safely and efficiently. If you need assistance or wish to unload vans or special vehicles see the Market Manager or better yet call 507-420-8711 and let us know you are on your way.

Th (3:30-5) of every week is *Family Market – We will work to create an atmosphere that supports families shopping for food. If you need assistance see the Market Manager.

* Seniors, Disabled & Families with children are always welcome for our full hours (Tu & Th 3:30-6pm and Sa 8-Noon). We hope that by providing you an open invitation to our less crowded weekday market your nutrition needs will be more quickly met and your service expedited during these times. (BEC WIC, FMNP, FVV, NAPS are accepted.) We are here to serve you always in All Ways and want you to enjoy your market experience.

*48 Vendors = 40 Farmers, Producers,
Growers & 8 Artisans. Serving up
everything local with 40 miles of Mankato.*

*Get to know your neighbors, where your
food comes from, what your soap is made
out of, how the animals that become your
meat are raised and treated.*

*Find joy and flavor in your community.
Your roots and heritage are rich in loam and
love. When you shop here you are at home.*

*Find your place...you belong here!
All are welcome always in-all ways!*

*Volunteers for events, daily assistance to
shoppers, community building, and public
outreach are always welcome.*

*Friends of the Farmers Market seeking
members and sponsors...
call 420-8711 for information.*



Margaret Mead - A city is a place where there is no need to wait for next week to get the answer to a question, to taste the food of any country, to find new voices to listen to and familiar ones to listen to again.

Thank you for subscribing to our earth friendly e-newsletter. Caroline Wood - Market Manager

2010 – Farmers Market

1. Local
2. Innovative
3. Community
Centered
4. Health Promoting
5. Fun
6. Customer Service
Oriented
7. Embrace young-
old and everything
in between.
8. Teach
9. Grow
10. Learn
11. Love

We are here to support local sustainable living through food, education, health, awareness, social networking, open mindedness, and communication; to serve the common good.