

2017 Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce

Award Winning Farmers' Market



January 2017



Dear Farmers' Market Vendor,

We would like to invite you to join the Grove City Chamber for the 2017 Farmers' Market season. **We will again be hosting two markets. However, there will be no break between them.**

The "Spring Market" that was introduced 2 years ago proves to be a huge success. As a result, we are pleased to announce that we will continue our "Spring Market" which will run for six (6) Saturdays beginning May 20 and ending Saturday, June 24 from 8:00 a.m. to Noon. Our "Summer" Farmers' Market which begins its 27th year will run for eleven (11) weeks beginning Saturday, July 1 and ending Saturday, September 9.

Enclosed you will find an Application for both the "Spring Market" and the "Summer" Farmers' Market; the Rules and Regulations; and map for the 2017 Grove City Chamber Farmers' Market. **Application deadline is March 31, 2017.** Your participation in the "Spring Market" will not affect your placement in the "Summer" Farmers' Market. Due to anticipated reduced participation in the "Spring Market" spaces will be limited to Broadway and East Park Street as indicated on the enclosed "Spring Market" map. The "Summer" Farmers' Market will have 22 spaces available along Broadway and 26 spaces along East and West Park Street. All spaces include parking except for space 1A, 2A, 13 and Pavilion Area spaces.

Last year's full time vendors, who pay in advance for the full 11 weeks of the "Summer" Farmers' Market by **March 31, 2017**, and meet the following criteria, will be awarded their same space(s) from the 2016 Farmers' Market. All other requests meeting the following criteria will be addressed on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Those selling fruits and vegetables are required to provide us with the location of the farm and/or area where your products are grown and stored. Site visits are planned for early spring.

If you would like to join us for the "Spring Market", the "Summer" Farmers' Market or both, please complete the appropriate application(s) and initial/sign the rules and regulations and return it to us with your payment. Please make checks payable to: Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce.

Construction of the apartments behind City Hall will be completed soon and a large parking lot is available behind the businesses on the west side of Broadway. The cooking demonstrations that began 2 years ago have proven to be a great asset to the Market. We experienced higher attendance at the market and given the response we have received in the office, we will be experiencing attendance growth again this year.

The Grove City Chamber's Farmers' Market received two awards last year. One was City Scene Magazine's "Best of the Bus" and we were voted in the Top 3 in the Columbus Dispatch's Farmers' Market CBUS Top Picks. Farmers' Market continues to be a valuable addition to the community, providing residents with the opportunity to purchase locally grown produce. It is our desire to continue the tradition of bringing local merchants, farm producers and residents together.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call the Chamber office at 614-875-9762.

Sincerely,

Marilyn Reiner
Events Manager / Market Master
Enclosures

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Return to: The Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce
4069 Broadway, Grove City, OH 43123
Phone: 614.875.9762 – Fax: 614-875-1510
Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Name _____ Phone _____

Farm Name _____

Group/Organization _____

Address _____
City State Zip Code

Space Preference:

First Choice _____ Second Choice _____ Third Choice _____

I understand the cost to reserve one space for the entire 11 weeks is \$187 and each additional space for the entire 11 weeks is \$165. For those vendors who reserve spaces on a week to week basis, the cost is \$20 per space. **Maximum of 4 spaces per day allowed.** Please include payment with your application.

I will be participating in the *2017 Grove City Chamber's Summer Farmers' Market* on the following dates:
(Check all that apply)

- July 2017 July 1 July 8 July 15 July 22 July 29
- August 2017 August 5 August 12 August 19 August 26
- September 2017 Sept 2 Sept 9

Vendor Information: Each participant must display a Vendor's License.
(We will provide this to you, and you **MUST** display the Vendors License every week.)

I plan to sell the following products from my table/truck: Please check all that apply:

- Vegetables Fruits Plant Materials (describe) _____
- Live Cut Flowers Dried Flowers Live Pots/Baskets
- Food Items: _____

Where were these items grown: _____

Will you be selling anything at the Summer Market that was not grown in Ohio? Yes No

If yes, please designate what: _____

***Farmers must be finished setting up by 7:30 a.m. the morning of the Market!**

***Prepared food items must be made by you, and cannot be packaged in individual servings. Package must contain a list of all ingredients and contact information.**

I have read the rules for the *Grove City Chamber's Summer Farmers' Market* and agree to abide by the said rules as advertised by or designated by the Market Master. The Market Master has the authority to investigate complaints and administer the Spring Market rules and regulations. The Market Master may remove any vendor for any reason deemed necessary with no refund of money paid.

Signature _____ Date _____

Date Rec'd: _____ Cash: _____ Check No.: _____ Space(s) Assigned: _____

Credit Card No. _____ Exp. Date _____



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WHAT PRODUCTS CAN BE SOLD?

Generally, any item grown in a greenhouse, garden or field or prepared foods can be sold at the Grove City Chamber Farmers' Market. Accordingly, vendors are permitted to sell vegetables, fruits, garden products and herbs, live plants, flowers or food items prepared by the vendor (i.e. jams, jellies, bread, cookies, apple butter, pies, honey, teas, coffee, etc.) Prepared items must contain a label of content and contact information of the preparer.

WHAT PRODUCTS CANNOT BE SOLD?

Single serving food items that could be eaten on site are not permitted. The sale or display of live animals in the footprint of the market area is absolutely prohibited. Arts, crafts, yard sale or thrift items are not permitted. **Food items that were purchased, repackaged, or not made by you, are not permitted. ALL items you are selling MUST be listed on the application and items will be juried.**

WHO MAY PARTICIPATE?

Generally, any farmer, greenhouse or other agricultural-related business which produces a minimum of 60% of the products sold, as well as any civic, service or community group may participate. The participant needs only to complete the application, remit appropriate fees, have products listed above to sell and be approved by the Chamber. Farmers, greenhouses or other agricultural-related business must provide documentation that they are growing or otherwise producing a minimum of 60% of the products they are selling.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Contact the Grove City Area Chamber of Commerce for an application. Complete and return the application with appropriate fees. Cost for the Summer Market is \$17.00 per day for one space for all 11 weeks and \$14.00 per space for each additional space for all 11 weeks, OR individual space on a week to week basis is \$20.00 per Saturday. **Maximum of 3 spaces per day please. No application will be considered if a signed copy of these rules and regulations does not accompany the application and fee.**

WHAT IS INCLUDED IN MY FEE?

The fee will reserve a guaranteed or regular space for the day(s) requested. **Parking is now available for all spaces, except for space 1A, 2A, 13 and pavilion spaces. The new layout allows one market space for each lined parking space.** (See enclosed map.) The Chamber will provide advertising for the markets and distribute flyers to area businesses to help promote market days. Additionally, we hope to have a few additional attractions to assist in drawing people to the Town Center area.

The Chamber has added more spaces to the Market this year. The price of the spaces per week remains the same.

Please note: No refrigeration or electric is provided.

Initial _____

(See reverse side)

HOW ARE SPACES ASSIGNED?

1. Spaces are assigned first to full time participants who return their applications and who pay for the entire market season (July 1 through September 9, 2017) in advance by March 31, 2017.
2. Thereafter, spaces are assigned on a first-come first-serve basis each week of the market, based on the date the application is received.
3. Any vendors who have not completed the application, but show up the day of the market and are accepted, will receive any remaining spaces.

No one will be permitted to participate in the Grove City Chamber's Summer Market without displaying a Vendor's License (we will provide this to you) and a signed copy of the rules and regulations sent with the fee and the application. There will be no exceptions and this requirement will be enforced. Your application will not be considered without the signed/initialed Rules and Regulations.

WHEN DOES THE MARKET START?

The market runs each Saturday from July 1 through September 9, 2017. The market opens at 8:00 a.m. and closes at 12:00 Noon. Vendors will set up between 6:45 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. and must have their space ready by 7:30 a.m. The designated Market Master reserves the right to prohibit a vendor from setting up if arrival is after 7:45 a.m.

Department of Agriculture Requirement

Please remember, prepared food items are required by the Department of Agriculture to be marked with all ingredients used. Additionally, the name and full address of maker must be included.

CLEAN UP

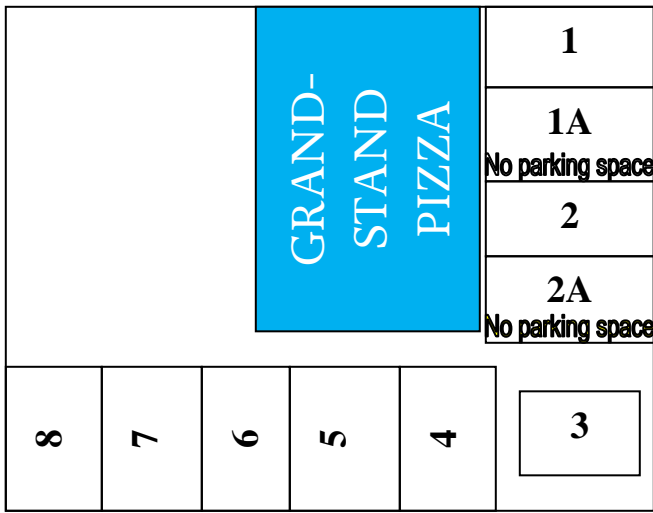
Vendors are required to clean up their spaces at the close of each market day. **Accordingly, all debris, boxes, sacks, etc., cannot be left in the market area and cannot be placed in City-owned trash barrels. We ask also that sidewalks and street areas be cleaned if necessary.**

Printed Name: _____

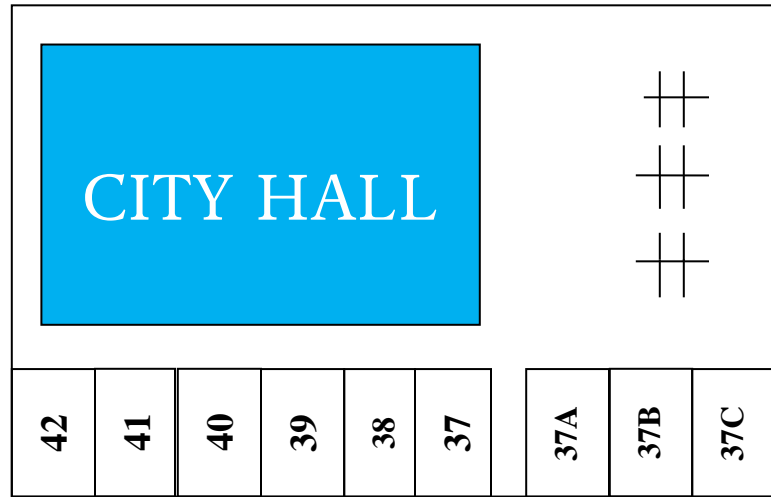
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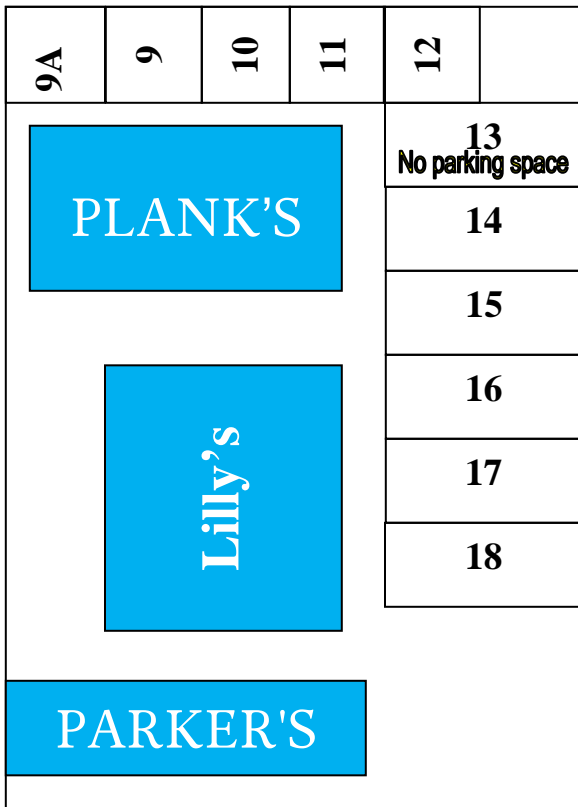
Summer Farmers' Market Map



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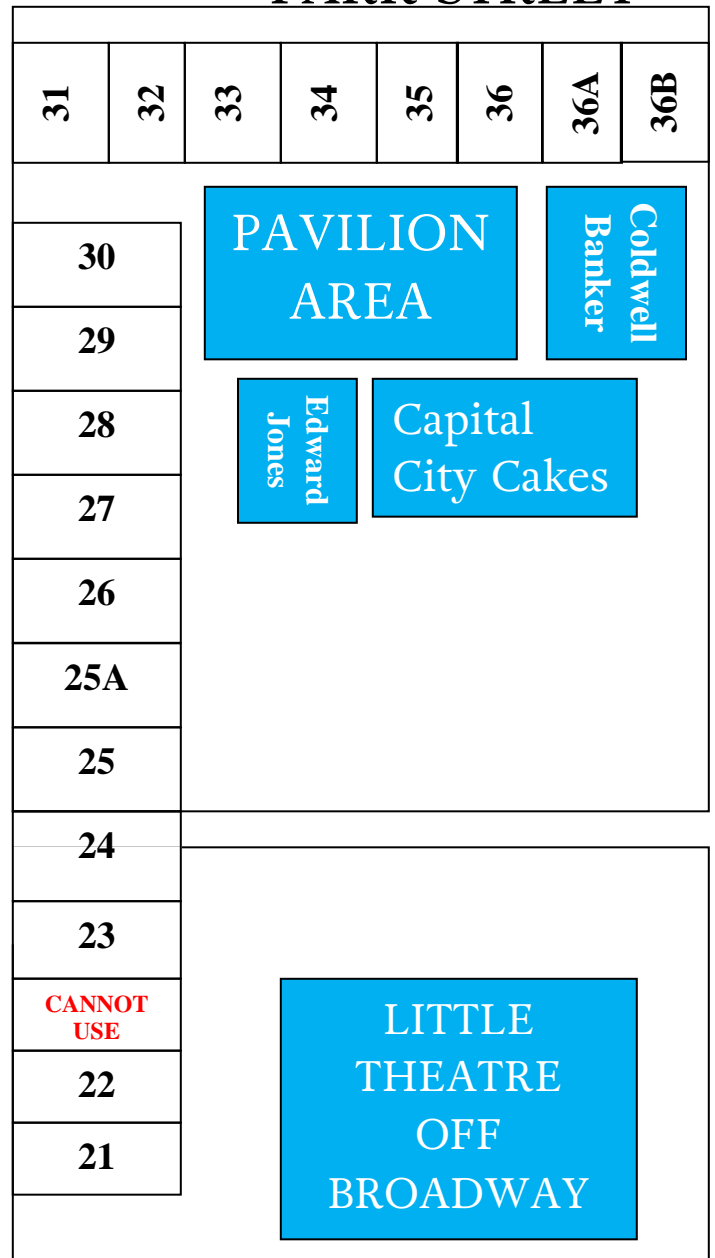


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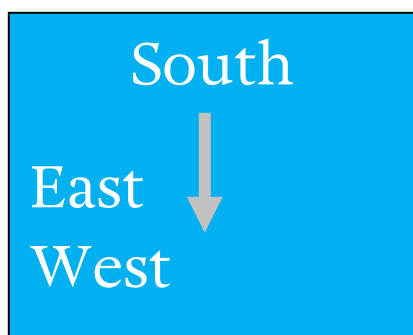


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PARK STREET



JACKSON ALLEY



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