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## **Farmers Market Guide**



## 2021 season for Ripley County farmers markets kicks off this weekend

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ASSISTANT EDITOR Spring is in full swing and our local growers, craftspeople and goods vendors are making the final push to have locally sourced and locally made products ready for market.

Farmers Market season kicks off for 2021 in Ripley County this weekend with Batesville's market in the Village Square. Dillsboro's weekly market is not far behind with its opening day set for May 8 - don't forget to stop by for Dillsboro in Bloom that Saturday

Check out the other stories on this page to hear from some of the area's market organizers about their respective markets and some of the special activities planned for this summer.

Farmers markets offer a variety of benefits to their community - not limited to access to fresh produce, affordable handmade goods and an opportunity to catch up with or meet more members of the community.

The Versailles Republican will feature more stories, pictures and information for our area farmers markets

<u>Area Markets Schedule</u>

Batesville Farmens Market

Dillsboro Farmers Market

Milan Farmers Market

Versailles Market on the Square

Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon on the Courthouse Square,

Versailles Market on the Square's

Saturdays 9 a.m. to noon on North Street, starting May 8

Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon at the corner of Main and

**Boehringer streets, starting May 1** 

throughout this summer and into the beginning of fall. These monthly guides will help you learn more about some of our local vendors and their products as well as help you plan for special events like live music and demonstrations that the markets offer throughout their season.

If you are a market vendor and would like to add your shop or stand to the vendor list, contact Tali Crowe at 812-689-6364 or tcrowe@ ripleynews.com.

## **Batesville Farmers Market** opens Saturday, May 1 **Christy Ludwig**

BATESVILLE MARKET MANAGER

The Batesville Farmers Market season opens Saturday, May 1 from 8 a.m. until noon. Our mid-week market begins on July 7 to September 1 on Wednesday evenings from 3 to 6 p.m. We are conveniently located downtown Batesville at the corner of Main and Boehringer streets. We have over 30 vendors offering garden plants, flowers, vegetables, fruits, baked goods, crafts, signs, honey, fresh eggs, bath bombs, soaps, essential oils, and so much more!

We are hosting the location of the Umbrella Sky Project from June to September. This will be a unique attraction with many events incorporating the farmers market this year.

Follow us on Facebook - Batesville Farmers Market or our website www.batesvillefarmersmarket.com for more details.



SUBMITTED PHOTO Batesville Farmers Market Manager Christy Ludwig with her family.

## **Dillsboro Farmer's Market opens May 8** with extended hours for Dillsboro in Bloom

Valerie Burns DILLSBORO FARMERS MARKET MANAGER The Dillsboro Farmer's Market is a local market with plenty of small town charm that is dedicated to connecting local farmers, bakers and crafters with the community. Our market will open on May 8 and continue every Saturday until September 25. On May 8, the market will be open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in conjunction with the Dillsboro In Bloom celebration.

In the wfollowing weeks, the market will open from 9 a.m. until noon. There will be no market on May 22 due to Homecoming Fair. Once the growing season is in full swing, the market will be opening at 8 a.m. We will be located at Heritage Pointe in downtown Dillsboro on the corner of Bank and North St.

This year the Dillsboro Market will be focusing on



many activities for the kids. There will be face painting and Kid's POP (Power Of Produce) club geared toward teaching children about healthy eating. There will also be Purdue Extension representatives onsite with information about healthy eating and vegetable grow-

Our vendor products will include fresh produce, farm fresh eggs, jams & jellies, handmade soaps, plants, fresh PET milk, delicious made items, barn quilts, soy candles and much more.

The Market Manager 2021 will be Valerie Burns and she can be contacted at 812-571-0396 (https://www.facebook.com/ Dillsboro-Farmers-Market-1682514815354955) for questions about vending opportunities or market inquir-

We're very excited about this year's market and hope

baked goods, jam, crafts, **Holly Harley** VERSAILLES MARKET MANAGER

7<sup>th</sup> season starts in June

Tuesdays from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Milan Park

One of my favorite parts of summer is Market on the Square. I started coming to shop back in the early years of the market. A couple years later, I started selling eggs. And now, as the market starts its 7th season, in addition to managing the market, I sell eggs, beef, chicken and maple syrup. I'm inspired by the talent and hard work of my fellow vendors - farmers, gardeners, artisans, bakers, blacksmiths, painters, and woodworkers.

starting June 5

The quality and variety of items available at Market on the Square is amazing! We have produce, meat, honey,

and more. While the shopping is great - can't beat fresh and local – it's the atmosphere that I really love.

On Saturday mornings, the Square is alive with the chatter of people conversing, laughing, and enjoying the weather, the view, and each other. I'm so grateful to everyone who supports the market. It is the ultimate expression of community supporting local and knowing your neighbors. I hope to see you this summer at Market on the Square!

Market on the Square runs from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays June 5 through September 18 on the Square in Versailles. Workouts on the Square take place from 8:15-



**Holly Harley** 

sailles.com/farmers-market for the schedule of events. Look for our Facebook Live tour of the market each morning of the market at 9

for

to see you there!



family and will be including baked goods, honey, hand-





\*All payments net of rebate, plus tax and fees, see dealer for details. Special rate in lieu of any rebates, with approved credit. Subject to prior sale. Prices good through May 3rd, 2021.

4270): Crafts -

8472): Baked goods

• Kate's Bakes (513-267-

• Meyer's Produce (812-

209-9217): Plants, flowers,

Midwest Boutique (mid-

westboutique@yahoo.com):

• Paul Borchelt (812-934-

4072): Wood crafts/furniture

• Salatin Orchard (812-577-

6017): Flowers, herbs, fruits,

• Sam Robinson (812-363-

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Snikkers & Peanuts (513-

etables, gourds

226-7965): Baked goods

• St. Peter's Busy Bee Acres (513-236-3343): Flowers, plants, herbs, honey, poultry, eggs

• Sumanc & Sweetgrass (812-671-0684): Farms Plants, flowers, herbs, fruits, vegetables, mushrooms

 Sundance Farms (224-717-0320): Plants, vegetables, eggs, poultry

More vendor information will be available as other markets open for the season



# Tips from the Trenches

Are your bank accounts ready?



Unlike preparing for the SAT, preparing your accounts is easy. Review the information below and check it off as you go. Contact your friendly banker for help.

**Batesville Farmers** Market • AC/EC Bath Bombs (812-212-0543): Bath bombs/ shower steamers

 Annabel's Sweet Treats (812-212-3943): Krispies • Baker Farms (812-934-6664): Plants, flowers, herbs,



#### fruits, vegetables Donut • Beth Haverkos (812-212-1182): Plants, flowers, herbs, wooden crafts

• The Cheese Please (513-679-1574): Homemade cheese

Crossbuckle Homestead (317-500-2882): Plants. herbs, vegetables, soap

• Curvy Creek Farms (812-212-2677): Fruits, vegetables, flowers

• Doll's Orchard (812-934-4563): Fruits, vegetables

• Donna McCool (812-212-8508): Plants, flowers, herbs,

vegetables, craft • The Farm @ Maple Lane (812-581-5515): Plants,

flowers, herbs, fruits, baked goods, eggs, honey • Great Minds Organics (812-593-6286): Flowers,

goods, organic soybeans • Henaben Farms (812-934-5957): Mushrooms, vegeta-

• John Weisenbach (812-

• Benning Street Customiza-

tions (513-515-0320): Laser

• Joyful Lifestyle (812-363-

216-7969): Metal signs

cut wood items

bles

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## **Financial Prep for Your College Life**

Dreaming of independence and freedom after high school is part of the experience. But as graduation approaches, how prepared do you feel to manage your financial life? It is never too late (or early) to start developing financial skills for life after graduation.

## **Open Your Accounts and Become Friends** with Your Banker.

Establishing a relationship with a bank you trust is the foundation for a healthy financial life. Your bank is a safe place to keep and organize your money, ask for help with financial questions, and borrow money for expenses you may not be able to cover up front.

A checking account is for paying expenses. You depos-

ress. Don't be afraid to adjust your budget along the way as needs change or if it is not working.

### **Beware of Credit Card Offers**

Credit card companies do not always have your best interest at heart. They may entice you to sign up for their card with a free t-shirt or other rewards. If you don't pay your full credit card balance each month, you will pay high interest fees for the money you borrowed.

Ask your parents if they will add you as an authorized signer on their credit card account as an alternate option. This will provide the opportunity to create a strict plan for card use and will hold you

it your income and pay for everyday expenses like fuel, groceries, or your favorite latte as well as your monthly cell phone bill, car payment, and insurance.

Next, open a savings account. Use this account to save for larger future expenses like next semester's books, deposit for a new apartment, tires for your car, or a spring break trip. You will also save for unexpected and emergency expenses like car repair or school project expenses you didn't anticipate.

Activate your online banking, set up BillPay, and download your bank's mobile app. These are tools used daily to manage your financial life. You can check your account balances, verify your paycheck was deposited, transfer funds between accounts, pay bills, and more.

Your banker is a great resource, a friend for your financial life. Ask for help if you don't understand how your accounts or mobile app works. They are rooting for your success and would love to help you on the journey.

#### Create a Realistic Budget and Review Often. A

budget estimates your income and expenses over a specific time. It helps determine what must be paid and how much is available for gas, food, clothes, and entertainment. Do an online search for free budgeting tools. Start with a simple, short term budget, such as a budget for next semester and each month. Review your spending and budget weekly to track your progaccountable, helping you remain focused.

#### Financing College

Scholarships and federal grants are great options because they do not require repayment. Speak to your school guidance department and to your local community foundation for a list of available scholarships. The scholarship application process is not easy, but neither is forking over hard-earned money for a student loan payment in the years following graduation.

Student loans come with a variety of options. Ask questions to determine which option is best for you. Be sure you understand the repayment requirements. Will you be required to make payments while you are in school or will repayment begin after college graduation? Will you be charged interest while you are in school or will that be deferred?

#### Your Financial Life

Your financial life is ultimately yours. How it develops and grows depends on your goals, values, discipline, and sometimes unexpected circumstances. Don't be ashamed to ask for support. Having people you trust help you in the low times, hold you accountable to your goals, and celebrate your success will lead to a more fulfilling experience.

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My bank has my current phone number and address.

I have a checking account for weekly and monthly expenses.

I have a savings account to save for large semester expenses (books, tuition, room and board).

I have a debit card and know my PIN.

I know what to do if my debit card is lost or stolen.

I know the daily purchase and cash withdrawal limits for my debit card.

I know where to withdraw cash with little or no fees.

I have online banking and have downloaded my banking app.

I know how to check my account balance, transfer funds and pay bills using online banking or the app.

I know how to track my deposits and withdrawals using an app or checkbook register to reconcile my monthly e-statements.

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