

News from Genoa Main Street



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Genoa's Markets Return

Open Air Markets Kick Off Third Year With Things Old, Things New and More

“It’s a great way to make money and save money as the third season of shopping at Genoa’s Open Air Market resumes Saturday, May 23,” says Executive Director Mim Evans, “This year promises to be the best ever. We expect vendors offering everything from fresh produce to gourmet foods, landscaping plants and flowers, new hand-crafted items to well-worn antiques plus a variety of offerings from home-based businesses from dog treats to jewelry and more.”

Open from 9 .a.m. to 2 p.m., the markets are sponsored this year by Costco Wholesale of St. Charles, Kishwaukee Community Hospital and Nicor Gas.

In its third year at its high- visibility location in the city’s downtown municipal parking lot, the market attracts both local residents on foot and bike, as well as passersby on Main Street, Route 72.

“Vendors like the location at Main and Genoa Streets because of its high visibility and electrical connections and its reasonable costs,” said Evans. Spaces, roughly 10 by 20 feet, are just \$20. Non-profit groups and farmers selling fresh produce only pay \$10. Home gardeners may use the community space for free.

In additional to Saturday’s market, remaining dates are the fourth Saturday though October – June 27, July 25, August 22, September 26 and October 24. For more information or to reserve a space, call 815-784-6961.

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History of Service to Downtown Genoa

Genoa Main Street, Inc. is a volunteer organization dedicated to preserving Genoa's historic heritage and small town wholesomeness while promoting economic development and downtown improvements. Genoa was designated an Illinois Main Street community by the state in 1996. Part of the Office of Governor Pat Quinn, Illinois Main Street provides a targeted set of services to participating communities, including training and technical assistance. For more information on markets and other Genoa Main Street, Inc. events, go to <http://www.genoamainstreet.org>.

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Spring Opportunities -- Genoa's Open Air Markets offer a chance to both make money and save money thanks to a variety of vendors, shoppers and merchandise. The next market is Saturday, May 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information or to reserve a space, call Genoa Main Street, Inc. at 815-784-6961, or e-mail genoamainstreet@atcyber.net. The markets are sponsored by Costco Wholesale of St. Charles, Kishwaukee Community Hospital and Nicor Gas.

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