

News from Genoa Main Street



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Magic Carpet Brings Fun Downtown Saturday, August 27

Movie, Market Make Genoa Place to Be

Summer may be winding down elsewhere, but the folks in Genoa aren't ready to move indoors quite yet. The monthly Open Air Market and a free Movie on Main Street make for both a day and an evening of fun downtown. Both events take place in the Municipal Parking Lot at the corner of Main and Genoa Streets.

"August is really the peak time for a terrific selection of local produce," says Gene Bradford, produce vendor. "We still have corn as well as tomatoes, peppers, peaches and other popular fruits and vegetables. People will come to see the variety of vendors at the market and pick up something fresh for dinner while they're there. I expect a great day."

"The market in Genoa is a different from others in the area. We have some new vendors each time so there is always something visitors haven't seen before," says Mim Evans, Genoa Main Street Executive Director. "This month's market will find everything from health care products to handmade jewelry, specialty foods, pet treats and unique decorator items. Two locally made quilts will be displayed. Each quilt is being raffled off to raise money for great causes. Folks also should plan to visit the shops and enjoy lunch while in town."

Just for Kids

Children will enjoy building Aladdin's magical kingdom while at the market. They can continue their work at the evening showing of Disney's *Aladdin*. Kids can choose from all kinds of boxes, tubes, cardboard, markers, foliage, scraps and other interesting bits and pieces to create their part of the city.

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The Open Air Market runs from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Large spaces are \$20 each, with a reduced rate of \$10 for nonprofit organizations and fresh produce sellers.

Saturday evening Genoa's ever popular Movies on Main Street presents Disney's *Aladdin*. The festivities begin at 7:30 with games, refreshments and the continued building of Aladdin's kingdom. Classic cartoons will precede the movie, which begins at 7:50 p.m.

"Coming to Movies on Main Street is a favorite Genoa tradition," says Evans. "The movie, games and popcorn are free. All families need to bring are chairs or a blanket. *Aladdin* will be a great way to spend a late summer evening."

The Open Air Markets and Movies on Main Street are presented by Genoa Main Street, Inc. These events are made possible the support by Citizens First National Bank, Genoa Township, Kishwaukee Community Hospital and Waste Management.

Contact Genoa Main Street at 815 784-6961 or go to genoamainstreet.org to reserve a market space or for more information on the market or the movie. 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.

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Kids visiting Genoa’s Open Air Market or Movie on Main Street on Saturday, August 27 can help build *Aladdin*’s magical kingdom. Last year the children built the City of the Future for the showing of *Meet the Robinsons*. A variety of building materials will be available during the market from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. and during the movie beginning at 7:30 p.m. Both free events will be held in the Municipal Parking Lot at the corner of Main and Genoa Streets in downtown Genoa.