

News from Genoa Main Street



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Scarecrows at the Market, Library Book Sale

Fall Fun in Genoa Saturday, September 24

Visitors to Genoa's Open Air Market can go home with more than the usual fresh produce, crafts and other interesting finds. They can "make and take" a new straw friend. All the fixings to make a scarecrow will be provided for those interested in taking home a great yard decoration.

"Build your own Scarecrow" returns to the Open Air Market on Saturday, September 24 from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Visitors can choose a frame in adult or child sizes, a head with a variety of faces and clothes of all sorts. Straw is available for stuffing. Main Street volunteers will be on hand to help out. Each scarecrow and all the fixings costs \$20. All proceeds benefit Genoa Main Street, Inc. for future downtown improvements and public events.

"People have a great time making their own personal scarecrow. Choosing which body, face and clothes they would like for their scarecrow results in each scarecrow being unique for each family," says Diane Helland, whose family has volunteered to help with the building for several years. "Having everything here makes it an easy project and proceeds go to a great cause. Many of the scarecrows that appear in yards around town every year were originally made here. Some families come back each year to make a new member to add to their scarecrow family."

The scarecrows won't be the only action in town. The Genoa Public Library will be holding its used book sale Friday evening from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. There is a \$1.00 admission charge on Friday evening, but no charge on Saturday. Books are \$2.00 per bag both days. Genoa's downtown merchants will be holding a sidewalk sale on Saturday. Visitors will find many bargains and great selection of new Fall products.

"We've had a great Open Air Market season," says Mim Evans, Genoa Main Street executive director. "Each market has some new vendors so it is always interesting. Great fresh produce is still available including corn and peaches. Apples and Fall squash will also be ready. There will be one more market on October 22."

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Genoa's Open Air Market is held in the municipal parking lot located at the corner of Main (Rt. 72) and Genoa Streets in downtown Genoa. Hours are from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Vendor spaces can be reserved by calling 815 784-6961, emailing genoamainstreet@atcyber.net or going to genoamainstreet.org.

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Photo Caption:

Heads, bodies, stuffing and clothes will be in good supply at Genoa's Open Air Market on Saturday, September 24. Families are invited to build their own scarecrow to take home for \$20. All proceeds benefit Genoa Main Street, Inc. for future downtown improvement projects and public events. The market is located at the corner of Main and Genoa Streets in downtown Genoa. Hours are from 9 a.m. – 2 p.m. For more information go to genoamainstreet.org.

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