

"The most fun I've ever had on any committee, without exception." – Jim Keckley

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From the very beginning, Brenwick Development has been our primary sponsor.

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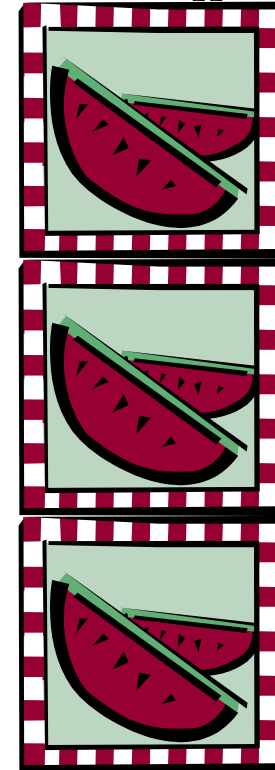


Carmel Farmers Market, Inc.
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Carmel, In 46032
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Thanks to our first president,
Jim Keckley (1924 – 2002)

CARMEL FARMERS MARKET AT CIVIC SQUARE

Volunteer Opportunities



THE CARMEL FARMERS MARKET

The Carmel Farmers Market, begun in the summer of 1999, has become the premier farmers market in central Indiana and one of the finest in the State. Voted the “Best of Indy – 2001” by *Indianapolis Monthly Magazine*, the Market now draws over 20,000 visitors each summer to Civic Square. With thirty-five vendors every Saturday morning from June through September, the Market is a focal point for the citizens of both Carmel and Clay Township

WHY IS THE MARKET SO SUCCESSFUL?

The answer to that is our volunteers. Yes, the Market is run completely by community volunteers and a board of directors.

Volunteers plan the Market schedule during the off-season. And each Saturday morning during the season, volunteers set up the Market, greet both vendors and visitors once the Market opens, count the number of visitors attending, tear down the Market at closing and store the equipment.

Volunteers act as the Market Master, and head up committees for special events, musical entertainment, vendor reception, publicity and public relations, and venue space management. In addition they work in the Committee tent selling our logo merchandise.

VOLUNTEER EXPECTATIONS

Each volunteer is expected to work six Saturday mornings from 6:00 AM to 12 noon. In addition, there are approximately five monthly meetings during the off-season. Total minimum volunteer time commitment is fifty hours.

AS A VOLUNTEER, WHAT DO I GET?

One of the most important things is that you have the satisfaction of helping, in a very tangible way, to foster and strengthen the spirit of community within Carmel.

You get to see and talk with your friends and neighbors every Saturday morning.

You work with an outstanding group of people, including our vendors and guests.

You get some really good deals on the freshest produce, meats, eggs and flowers. And, if you are there when the vendors arrive, you may not have to stand in line for the most popular products.

Because of 20% to 30% growth each year, we have a need for more volunteers.

HOW IS THE MARKET FUNDED?

The Carmel Farmers Market is a non-profit Indiana corporation with a board of directors.

Our funding comes from local corporations and, on occasion, from the City of Carmel.

Volunteers are not expected to contribute to the Market in any monetary fashion.

WHAT ARE THE DOWNSIDES?

If you don't like to get up early, don't volunteer. The volunteers arrive on their designated Saturdays at 6:00 AM.

Some days the weather can be hot and shade may be scarce.

HOW DO I VOLUNTEER?

Contact the Market at 317-710-0162. Just leave your name and phone number so we can get back to you with information about the next meeting.

WHEN DOES THE MARKET ACTUALLY START?

The 2004 Market begins on Saturday morning, June 5 and continues through September 25.

Call 317-710-0162