

News Release Rockford City Market



Rockford City Market Celebrates Fall

Market Vendors Offer Fall-Themed Items and Food

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ROCKFORD, IL – With the first official day of fall quickly approaching, vendors at Rockford City Market are selling unique items, fresh produce, and prepared food to celebrate the upcoming fall season. Market guests will be able to purchase fresh pumpkins for cooking or decorating at **Eight Acre Farm** or fall squash at **Trogg's Hollow**. Shoppers can also enjoy fall snacks and beverages right at the market including fall flavored cupcakes from **The Sweetery**, carrot cake from **Allyn's Going Bananas**, pumpkin spice coffee at **JavaMania**, and pumpkin beer at the various beer tents.

Market vendors also offer a variety of fall-scented products to help relax at home. **Candle Crest** has fall candles back at the market, and **The Candle Kiln** also has fall scented wax melts and bath bombs. **Pewter Dragonfly** also has Mom's Applie Pie Soap as well as Peppermint Shower Steamers which are great for those who have fall allergies this time of year.

For those looking to spruce up their homes with fall décor, **Just Craftin' Around by Jen** has fall décor signs for sale for market guests, or **Evelyn's Acre** who has beautiful fall bouquets to choose from. **Why Envy Boutique** also has several options of fall-themed kids' clothing and accessories. Now that football season has officially started, shoppers can also pick up football team onesies from **Tiny Bird Boutique** for little ones. Shoppers can also get ready for the cooler weather by purchasing a Rockford City Market hoodie from the **RCM Information Booth**. The design on the hoodie was designed by a market patron in a shirt design contest earlier in the season.

Those looking to host fall parties or gathering to watch football games this season, Rockford City Market offers several options of goodies to buy and serve at any gathering. **Larson Family Farm** has seasonal pies available to serve as a dessert, and shoppers can also pick up a variety of dip mixes from **Emmy & J Gourmet Dip Mixes** which are perfect for any family or friend gathering.

Rockford City Market on September 14 MUSIC

Main Stage: **Post Facto** – A three piece rock and roll band playing a blend of originals and covers (4 – 7 p.m.)

Acoustic Stage: **Suzy** – Acoustic guitar (5 – 7 p.m.)

SPECIAL EVENT

The **Pink Heals Fire Truck** will be parking on the East State Street bridge for people to come take a look at the truck and learn about their organization's mission. Pink Heals is a program that partners with Public Safety, local businesses and families to bring a community together. It is a program that provides home visits to show individuals that they are loved, cherished and important to others.

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ACTIVITIES

The **Auburn Key Club** will be offering free face painting for the kids from 4 - 7:30 p.m. Auburn Key Club is a local service organization at Auburn High School that works on bettering the community in which they live.

The **National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Northern Illinois** will be offering free interactive activities related to mental health conditions. They are an affiliate of the nation's largest, grassroots mental health advocacy organization and are dedicated to improving the lives of those who live with mental illness and their loved ones through support, education and advocacy.

ENTRANCE GATES

The **German Historical Society**, serving the needs of the German community in the Rock River Valley since 1964, is dedicated to the preservation and celebration of the cultural history of the German peoples (Germany, Austria, Switzerland). The organization is promoting their upcoming 54th Annual Oktoberfest, which will be October 5th and 6th at Loves Park City Hall.

ROCKFORD AREA ARTS COUNCIL

Judy Moe will have her Zen-doodle inspired art drawings with marker/mixed media for sale at the market.

MERCYHEALTH

We are designed by the Illinois Department of Public Health as a **Level I Trauma Center**, which means we provide the highest level of specialized trauma and critical care services. Our emergency department has more than 24 specialty physicians on call every day. We also have the region's only critical care and pediatric intensivists. We are located at the corner of Market and Water Street from 3:30 – 7:30 p.m. Mercyhealth is proud to be the presenting sponsor of the Rockford City Market.

For more information about Rockford City Market, visit www.rockfordcitymarket.com.

Rockford City Market takes place every Friday from May 18 through September 28 along Water Street between State and Jefferson Streets in downtown Rockford. The market runs from 3:30 – 8:30 p.m. before Labor Day and 3:30 – 7:30 p.m. after Labor Day. Rockford City Market was founded and is managed by the Rock River Development Partnership and operates with infrastructure support from the City of Rockford and marketing from the Rockford Area Convention & Visitor's Bureau.

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