



Kershaw County Farmers Market Weekly Update

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Upcoming Events

**Events are weather sensitive.

December 12
Last 2009 Market

Are you interested in becoming a KCFM vendor?

If you are interested in becoming a vendor at the Kershaw County Farmers Market, please reply to this e-mail and include your name and address. A vendor application will be mailed to you.

If you know of someone who would like to get our Weekly Farmers Market e-mail Bulletin, please reply to this message, and furnish their 1st & last name and e-mail address or simply visit our Web Site, www.kcfarmersmarket.org

Contact Us

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What's Happening at the Market?

The Kershaw County Farm-City Week celebration culminated in the annual Farm-City Week Awards Banquet Monday night. A large crowd attended the event which featured a presentation by Laura Shull on the SC Equine Park, 4-H Awards, remarks by Carrie Braswell, President of the North Central High School Future Farmers of America (FFA), Kershaw Conservation District Awards, and the Agri-Business of the Year Award. Many thanks to Jim McGuirt, Chairman, and the Farm-City Week Committee for their dedication to this important week for bringing about a "better understanding between rural and urban people by increasing their knowledge and appreciation of each other as partners in progress" (National Farm-City Council).



Congratulations to KCFM friends Hank and Mary Kerfoot for being the recipients of the 2009 KC Agri-Business Award!



The Farm-City Banquet was well attended by supporters of Kershaw County agriculture.



Morgan Smerdell leads the audience in the 4-H Pledge.

The Kershaw County Farmers Market Board and Vendors wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! Many thanks to the community for their support! 3 more market days left. Last day of Market is December 12, so get that Christmas shopping at the Market done soon.

2010 Master Gardener calendars are available at the Kershaw County Extension Office. The perfect Christmas gift for the gardener in your family. The price for this year's calendar is \$9.00 and a pocket size calendar is included in your purchase.



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Think you know a lot about agriculture? Test your farm knowledge with a fun facts quiz at the end of this newsletter!

Please visit our Web Site www.kcfarmersmarket.org. It features a history of the market and a brief biography of several of the individual growers who participate along with their contact information. The Harvest Schedule page shows you what may be available at local roadside markets throughout the Midlands. There is also an interactive feature that allows you to sign up to receive the KCFM Weekly Market Bulletin and provide feedback or comments and interests.

The Market, located at the corner of West DeKalb and Church Streets, (behind the First Community Bank, formerly Bank of Camden), is open on Saturdays from 7:30 AM until 12:30 PM. Remember, get there early so as not to miss out. **A note to our customers with limited mobility, you can park in the vendor area of the market thereby avoiding curbs.** There are two vendor entrances located on Rutledge and Church Streets. The success of our market is due in large part to the list of customers who get this Weekly Market Bulletin e-mail; so please encourage your friends to send their name and e-mail address to donaf@clemsun.edu, sign up through our web site or sign up at the market.

Vendors & Goods

Alan's Market & Plant Farm (Lugoff, Phone Orders 438-4064; mary232@yahoo.com)

- Hanging Baskets
- Transplants
- Annuals & Perennials
- Produce and Fruit
- Shrubs
- Trees



Backcountry Skin Care Products (Blythewood, Phone Orders 803-754-8279; www.backcountrynubians.com ; backcountry@sc.rr.com)

- Goat Milk Soaps
- Goat Milk Lotions and Creams
- Lip Balm
- Salves
- Sprays



Becky's Soap Shoppe (Ridgeway, Phone Orders 803-606-0510; beckyssoapshoppe@yahoo.com ; www.beckyssoapshoppe.webs.com)

- Handmade soaps
- Fragrances
- Body Washes & Creams



Bell Honey (Rembert, Phone Orders 422-2101; craigbell@aol.com)

- Gift Baskets,
- Honey (various container sizes from 5 oz. to 1 gallon)
- Honey Pot Dippers
- Ceramic Honey Pots (with honey)
- Beeswax Candle Globes
- Candles (poured & rolled)
- Honey Soap
- Candy Sticks



Carolina Plantation (laguy1@bellsouth.net)

- Gold Rice
- Brown Rice
- Cowpeas
- Grits



Cooper Farm (Bishopville, Phone Orders 803-425-9795)

- Locally grown seasonal produce
- Annuals & Perennials



Dowey Farms (Lugoff, Phone Orders 438-6462; catoer@bellsouth.net)

- Locally Grown Produce
- Vegetables & Fruit offered for resale



Dry Branch Ranch (Lugoff, Phone Orders 438-1437; www.drybranchranch.com; jrkonitzer@yahoo.com)

- 50 Different Herbs
- Peppers

David Lenix (Cassatt, Phone Orders 432-9470)

- Locally Grown Produce
- Vegetables & Fruit offered for resale



Hofield Farms (Camden, Phone 803-432-6499)

- Locally Grown Produce
- Blackberries (beginning in June)



The Market Gardener (Columbia, Phone Orders 276-1298; jsshough@bellsouth.net)

- Potted Plants
- Shrubs
- Trees
- Herbs
- Transplants
- Annuals & Perennials

Mulberry Market (Camden, Phone Orders 424-8401)

- A variety of baked cakes, pastries, cookies, breads, etc...
- Orders taken for cakes
- Breakfast items



Old McCaskill's Farm (Phone Orders 432-9537;
leemccaskill@bellsouth.net; oldmccaskillsfarm@gmail.com)

- Pork
- Lamb
- Goat
- Wool Blankets
- Hand Knit Wool Socks
- Yarn Skeins
- Felting Bundles
- Pencil Roving
- Lamb Hides



SCF Organic Farms, Ltd. - Certified Organic (Sumter, Phone Orders 469-0116; azeezmustafa@yahoo.com)

- NOP Certified Organic Produce



Wil-Moore Farms (Lugoff, Phone Orders 438-3097;
keith@wil-moorefarms.com; www.wil-moorefarms.com)

- Grass Fed Beef
- Pork
- Lamb
- Free Range Poultry
- Eggs
- A variety of Wisconsin Cheeses
- Milk
- Goat milk from Lone Palmetto Farms



Windswept Farms - Certified Organic (Camden, Phone Orders 425-8227;
j_kendall@infoave.net)

- NOP Certified Organic produce



Fun Farm Facts Quiz:

- 1) How many eggs are produced in the U.S. each year? 87 billion. The average American eats the equivalent of 254 eggs yearly.
- 2) How many turkeys do Americans eat at Thanksgiving? 45 million. That's about one turkey for every seven people.
- 3) Chickens that lay brown eggs have what color ear lobes? Red. There appears to be a genetic link between the two.
- 4) What was the first vegetable grown in space? Potato. In October 1995, NASA and the University of Wisconsin, Madison, experimented with growing potatoes in space with the goal of feeding future astronauts on long voyages or future space colonies.
- 5) Is the pumpkin a fruit or a vegetable? Fruit. A pumpkin usually weighs between 10 and 30 pounds. Some gigantic award winners have tipped the scales at over 1,000 pounds!

Source: www.farmcity.org

We've got a good thing growing!

See you at the market!

