

Hello Vendors,

Welcome to the 3rd Carlyle Courthouse Square Farmers Market. The charge is \$20.00 for the June 16 to October 6, 2011 season. Please make checks out to the Carlyle Lake Chamber of Commerce. Lisa Spaulding and I are Co-Market Masters this season. Lisa has been a vendor the last two years and opened “Keeping It Country” last October. This is a “homemade” craft store with a small winter farmers market within it.

If you do not sell all your fresh produce brought to market on Thursday nights you may leave it at “Keeping It Country”. Please check with Lisa on the price she charges for this service, the produce will be higher in price for the customers. We are not competing with “Keeping It Country”, it is an extension of bringing fresh produce into our community. We accept the WIC/SR Farmers Market Coupons which Lisa cannot accept, and she is set up to accept LINK cards. The bathroom at “Keeping It Country” is for us to use and Lisa will also have cold drinks available during market hours.

The day before our last market this past year, Clinton County cut down all the trees that the market used for shade. You might consider buying a tent for this season if you do not already have one. We have electricity and you are welcome to bring a fan to plug into it.

Clinton County Humane Society is going to have “Meets and Greets” on the other side of the square. The Clinton County Health Department said they may come, but not be with the market as food is present. I have written into our rules to please leave your pets at home. We have no control over customers bringing their pets as we are on a public street, but we do not want to get into trouble with the Health Department.

We have a grant this year from the Illinois Department of Agriculture for advertisement, food demonstrations, and handing out educational materials. Any suggestion on educational material handouts is appreciated. We have been asked to videotape the food demonstrations to be put on a local TV station. We would like the demonstrators if possible to use the fruits and vegetables from the market. If any food demonstrator asks to use some of your produce your name may be mentioned in the videos as where the produce is from. You will be on the City of Carlyle computer site: www.playandstaycarlyle.com.

Enclosed find contract, Clinton County Health Department rules, and Carlyle Courthouse Square Farmers market rules. If any questions feel free to call or email:

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Love and God Bless,
Darlene Rodden, Market Master