

Zion Farmers Market



Thursdays— rain or shine!

June 19—September 25, 2014

Sheridan Rd. & Shiloh Blvd.

11 am—7 pm

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Season Calendar

06/19/14 - A Perfect 10!

It's our 10th season and we couldn't be prouder!

06/26/14 - Lettuce Entertain You

Cool, crisp, refreshing—it's salad time!

07/03/14 - Cherry Berry Delight

Hey, Cheri, wear your raspberry beret and head out to the Strawberry Fields next to Blueberry Hill.

07/10/14 - Birds & Bees

We're all about the facts of life—wildlife, that is, and how to attract them.

07/17/14 - Bean There, Done That

It may not be easy being green, but it sure is delicious!

07/24/14 - 'Twas the Night Before Market

'Tis the season....well, almost! (Only five months to go!)

07/31/14 - Yellin' for Melons

Nothing refreshes on a hot summer day like a big juicy slice of melon!

08/07/14 - Plum Tickled

Sweet, juicy and full of flavor. We can't get enough!

08/14/14 - Zuke Suit Boogie

There's an explosion in the garden—and it's on the zucchini vines!

08/21/14 - Tomato Catch-up

The vines are loaded and we've got the recipe box in hand.

08/28/14 - Munchable Lunchables

Trust us, healthy and nutritious does NOT meaning boring!

09/04/14 - Heroic Efforts

Let's hear it for those who make it their job to keep us safe! Hats off to our first-responders and military members!

09/11/14 - Cobbin' Fever

The corn is high and ripe and we've got the boiling pot ready!

09/18/14 - Core Values

Raw or cooked, there's no com-pear-ison to these orchard delights!

09/25/14 - Know Your Roots

Beet it....and carrot it, turnip it,.....(you get the idea)!



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It's the Thursday place to "bee"



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A DECADE
OF DELICIOUS

2014

About Our Market

Celebrating it's tenth season, our Market is a growing and vibrant experience providing local patrons the opportunity to purchase farm fresh and/or organic produce, meats and cheeses, prepared foods, specialty foods, artisan crafted items and much, much more.

Other Market highlights include:

- Serves Zion, Beach Park, Winthrop Harbor and Southeastern Wisconsin
- Beautiful parkway location - Shiloh Boulevard & Sheridan Road
- Easy walking distance from Zion Metra station, Market Square, CTCA Guest Quarters and Midwest Regional Medical Center
- Family oriented, friendly activities including story time in our KidZone
- Weekly online KidCraft and Veg-u-cation instructional hand-outs
- On-site ATM
- Monthly online Market newsletter—Fresh Earth
- Zion's own Beeline Trolley



Weekly Market Schedule



11 am Market Opens

4 pm Garden Fresh Stories*

**presented by Z-B Public Library*

7 pm Market Closes

The Zion Market Experience

The usually empty block is alive with vendors and potential customers. The scene before you reveals rows of canopies and colorful umbrellas covering tables piled high with fresh vegetables and fruit. Pickup trucks and vans are filled to the brim with the produce of many hours labor. Merchants bustle about displaying their wares for the business of the day. Herbs, flowers and vegetables, still holding the scent of moist earth entice your senses. The voices of the vendors echo as they exchange greetings with shoppers who wander along the sidewalks. Your spirit is aglow with the warmth and excitement of this Thursday adventure. Shopping has never been so difficult, with every seller smiling and offering free samples or demonstrations.

Mingled among the produce are tables arrayed with breads, pies, and cookies; seasonal crafts, handmade apparel and accessories; jams and salsas; and even homemade pet treats.

The aroma of fresh-brewed coffee convinces you to sit and sip for a while as you take in the view. There are smiles everywhere, accompanied by a chorus of conversations from passing shoppers. Nearby the Library is signing up new members while a local business mans the chamber of Commerce booth. Just beyond the canopies, children are jumping in the bounce house or waiting their turns to receive a whimsical creation from the balloon artist. Excited youngsters queue up for the face painter to transform their appearance. You realize that this is more than a shopping space—it is a weekly community celebration.

After two trips through the Market, your bag is overflowing with treasures. You make your way across the busy parkway. Anticipation of the succulent dinner at hand, along with the weight of your baggage compels you to return to your vehicle, where you unload your bounty. Your thoughts travel to evening, when the newly purchased produce will be transformed into dinner and your family will gather round this wonderful blessing—all made possible by our hardworking community.



Reggie Veggie visits with SWP Teens who assist at the Market

Shoppers peruse the vendor's offerings



Taste tempting food items



Fresh from the field produce



Family friendly activities in the KidZone!