

Homer Farmers Market

2017 Annual Meeting

Saturday, January 28, 2017

12pm @ Kachemak Community Center







Introductions and Welcome

Board President, Scott Miller



Today's Agenda:

- Welcome/Introduction
- Mission Statement Review
- Homer Farmers Market Grant
 - Presentations from 2016 Recipients: Kyra Wagner & Shawn Jackinsky
- Overview of 2016 Market Season
- Financial Update
 - New Tax Code
- 2017 Policy Changes
- SNAP Matching Fundraiser
- 2017 Board of Directors Election Results
- Questions/Feedback

What's Happening

Homer Farmers Market: Mission Statement

The Homer Farmers Market welcomes all growers of farm, garden, and greenhouse produce to participate in a weekly market. The Homer Farmers Market was established in 2000 to aid in the development of a sustainable local agricultural community for the benefit of the greater community of the Kachemak Bay area by:

- Being an outlet for producers of small quantities of products.
- Providing the consumer with an opportunity to purchase excellent garden/farm fresh products.
- Expanding economic activity.
- Fostering consumer-producer education and relations.

Homer Farmers Market Grant: 2016 Recipients: Kyra Wagner & Shawn Jackinsky

Grant Projects funded:

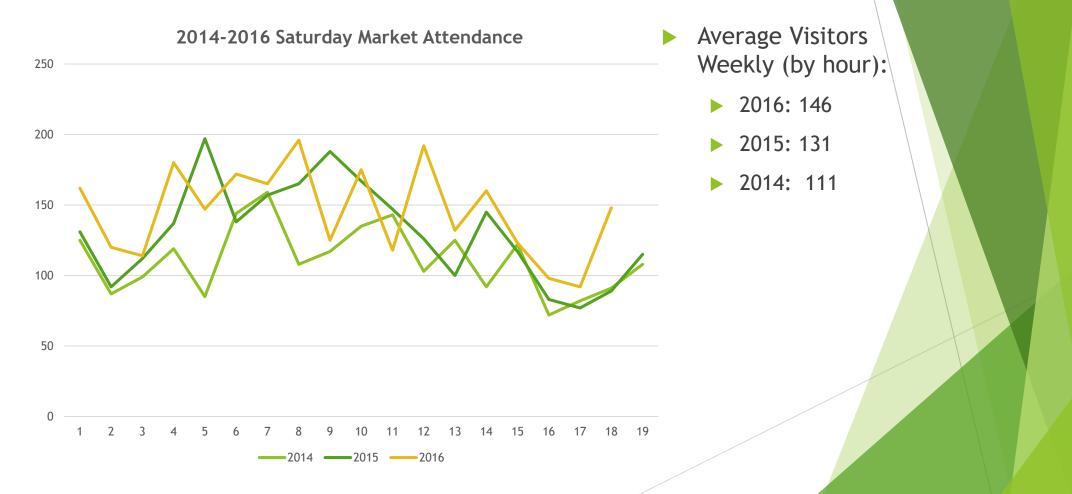
- 2013-Haven House Chicken Coup Project
- 2013- Ember Jackinsky, Winter Hardy Seed Cultivation
- 2014- Lori Jenkins, Farmer Education Resources
- 2014- Little Fireweed School, Hydroponic Growing
- 2015- Flex High School, School Garden
- 2015- Smallpond Daycare, Learning Garden
- 2016- Kyra Wagner, Washington State Farmers Market Conference
- 2016- Shawn Jackinsky, Native Gardens in Ninilchik

2017 - Applications Accepted: Feb. 15- April 30





2016 Overview: Numbers -Saturday Attendance



2016 Overview: Numbers -Wednesday Attendance

- Wednesday Hours: 2pm-6pm (extended by 1 hour) & 2 weeks
- Average Visitors Weekly (by hour):
 - > 2016: 51
 - Average by hour:
 - ▶ 2pm 72
 - ▶ 3:30pm- 51
 - ▶ 5pm- 30

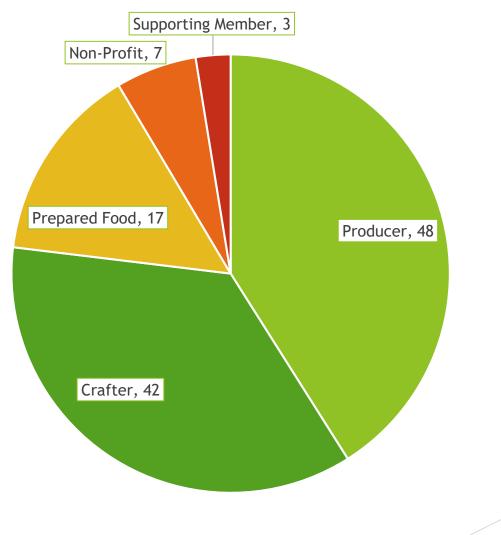


- ** 2017 Change: Given these stats, 2017 Wednesdays will operate:
 - 2-5pm, and begin after the first Saturday market (Saturday, May 27) on Wednesday May 31st;
 - vendors may stay 5-6pm if they desire, but Info Booth closes at 5pm

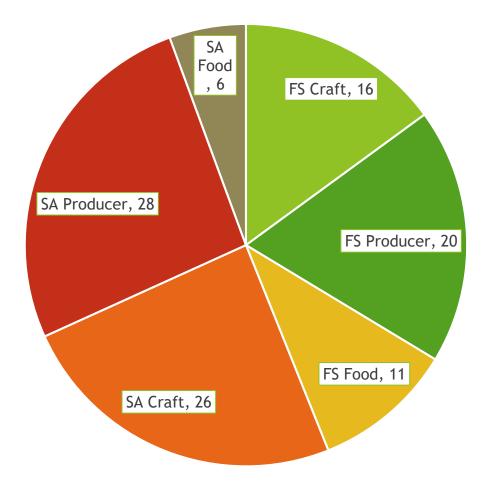
2016 Overview: Memberships by Year



2016 Overview: Membership Types (117)



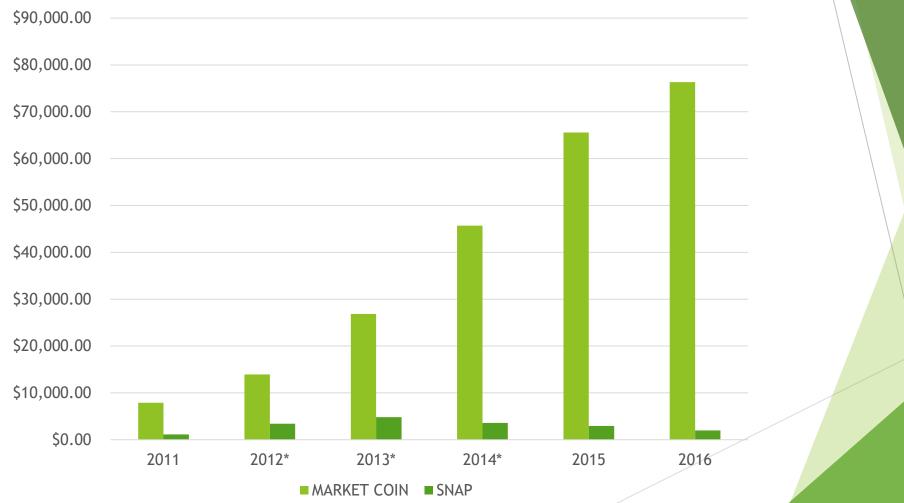
Full Season vs. Space Available



■ FS Craft ■ FS Producer ■ FS Food ■ SA Craft ■ SA Producer ■ SA Food

2016: Market Coins & Quest

Sales by Year: All EBT Transactions



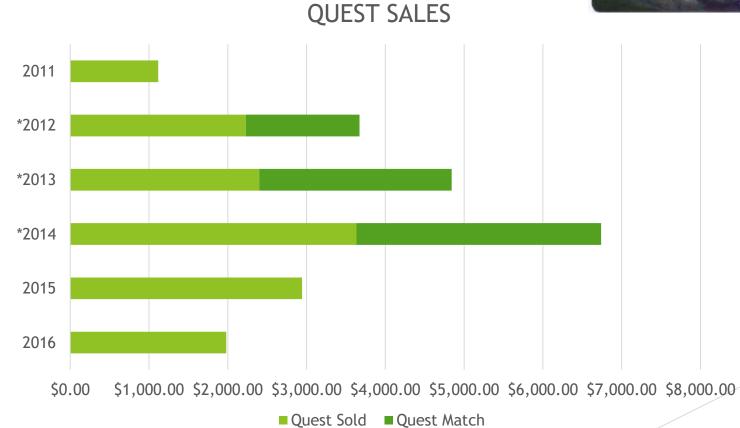
2016: Numbers - Market Coins





2016: Numbers -EBT Swipe Program

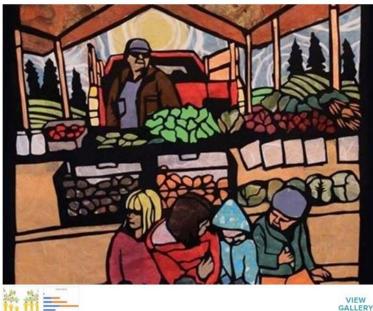




Food Justice: HFM Fundraiser to Match SNAP/QUEST at the Market!

www.youcaring.com/homerfarmersmarket

Home > Neighbors & Community > Food Justice in Homer. Match SNAP at the 2017 Farmers Market







The Story

Who has the right to eat good food? Is it only for those who can afford to buy locally produced, nutrition packed fresh food? It is commonly known that if you are getting food stamps, you can get a larger quantity of food with those meager dollars if you spend it on unhealthy, processed food than if you buy fresh vegetables. So how do we get good food into the hands of our most disadvantaged populations?

In past, recipients of food stamp benefits had actual paper food stamps that they would use to pay for food purchases. Then SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) developed a Quest Card that could be read by credit card readers at any store. This change left recipients unable to use their benefits at farmers markets, since most farmers markets didn't have the ability to take credit

Match SNAP at the 2017 Farmers Market For: Food Justice in Homer: Match SNAP at the 2017 Farmers Market Homer, AK

Food Justice in Homer:

Organizer: Homer Farmers Market

\$50 of \$3,000 goal.

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Supporters (1)

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Homer Farmers Market, Homer Soil & Water Distrct, & Kenai Farmers' Roundtable Series

"How to Build a Basic Website Without Going Crazy"



DATE: Thursday, December 8, 2016 WHERE: Homer Public Library, Large Conference Room TIME: 6-7:45pm

FREE! Open to everyone! Homer Soil & Water

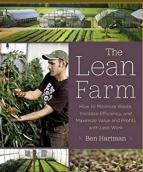


2016 Events





Farmers' Roundtable Series

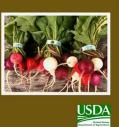






"The Lean Farm: How to Minimize Maximize Value Less Work"

March 24th, 6-8pm WHERE: Cook Inletkeepe FREE! Open to everyone!





2016 Programs

Kids Activities/Vending Day
Chef at the Market (19 total!)
Cooperative Extension Service







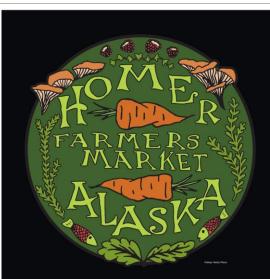






2016 Poster & Apparel





2016 Season Starting May 28 Saturdays: 10am-3pm Wednesdays: (beginning June 22) 2-6pm WIC, FMNP & EBT accepted

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Overview of the USDA Farmers Market Promotion Program Grant (FMPP)



What did the grant cover this year:

- Operations costs
- Signage
- Advertising
- **EBT Coordinator & Program**
- Chef at the Market Program
 - Staff time, Chef stipend, supplies
- Board, Founders, & Staff Retreat
- Staff Development Trainings
- AK State Farmers Market Organizers Conference



Financial Update

- ► Tiffany Sherman, Treasurer
 - Financial Statements
 - Available in back
 - Tax Code: Non-profits now must collect sales tax on space fees and merchandise sold



Financial Update: Tax Code

Booth Fees with Tax

- ► Full Season: Tax: <u>\$344</u> (\$320 + \$24/sales tax)
- Full season with membership: <u>\$364</u>
 - no sales tax charged on memberships
- Saturday Only: <u>\$27</u> (\$25 + \$1.88/sales tax, rounded)
- Wednesday Only: <u>\$11</u> (\$10 + \$.75 sales tax, rounded)
- Membership: <u>\$20</u> (no sales tax charged)

Already paid your Full Season Fee?

- Full Season: Tax: <u>\$24</u> is now due
 - (\$320 + \$24/sales tax)
 - Must pay prior to start of season

2017 Policy Changes

Non-profit Policy (#4) - Addition

If your products directly compete with other vendors, or you will be vending for more than three Saturdays, you are encouraged to reserve a space available booth at \$25/week.

Market Hours: Wednesdays (#2)

- Wednesday Markets start the last Wednesday of May and continue through the Wednesday prior to the last Saturday market
- ► Time: 2-5pm
- Vendors may stay past 5pm, but Info Booth will be closed

Vendor Expectations (#7)

Vendors may not broadcast music or other audio recordings in their booths. Vendors selling these types of products may play recording on devices with headphones only CHANGE

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2017 Policy Changes...

Kids Vending Policy (#9) - Addition

- Must check in at the Information Booth after 10:30 a.m. each vending day & complete a Kids Membership Form outlining what they intend to sell and who it's produced
- Kids (and parents) will not solicit for sales or impede on others sales.
- Adults who product /craft the majority of products sold by children should apply for regular booth space. Kids Vending Day is for kids.

Violations of Market Policies (#32)

Upon a third violation of Market policies in the same season or for more serious offences such as threatening behavior, the vendor shall be required to leave the Market for the balance of the day. **CHANGE**

AHEAD

2017 Board of Directors Election Results

- Scott Miller, Board President
 - What the Board Does
- Welcome 2017 Board Members:
 - Marianne Aplin (community member)
 - Dan (Karson) Dorvall (producer)
 - Susan Houlihan (crafter)
 - Scott Miller (crafter)
- Board Officers to be elected at February Board Meeting



New Market Cookbook is Coming Soon! Submit a Recipe for Publication

Do you have a great recipe that features **fresh Alaskan grown** ingredients that are available at the Homer Farmers Market?

We invite you to submit your recipe for inclusion in the new HFM Cookbook!

It's easy... Just go to www.morriscookbooks.com

Click on "typensave" at the top right,

- Click on "login" at top right
- User name is: HFM Cookbook
- Password is: rosemary593
- Then type in your recipe, easy peasy!

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Questions? Margarida Kondak, Cookbook Chairperson 299-1525

Homer Farmers Market Cookbook Submission

Upcoming Agriculture/Education Events:

- Feb. 16 Farmers Roundtable: Book Club, "The Market Gardener"
 - ► Homer Library, 6-7:45pm, Thursday
- March 4- Farmers Roundtable: "Best Marketing Practices for Farmers Market," AK Conference Keynote, Kathy Zeman (MN Farmers Market Association)
 - Kachemak Community Center, 3-4:30pm, Saturday
- March 21, 25 & April 22: Kenai Food Hub Producer Trainings and Info Mtgs
 - Various times and dates
- April 7 Family Farmed Training: "Growing Success- Food Safety, Marketing and More"
 - Kenai Peninsula College, 9am-5pm, Friday



Important Dates:

Full Season Vendor Applications are due TODAY!

- Early March- notification on Full Season Status
- ▶ May 1st- HFM Scholarship Applications are DUE by 12pm
- May 20th-- Market Set-up Day, 12pm
- May 27th- First 2017 Saturday Market
- May 31st- First 2017 Wednesday Market
- August 12th Zucchini Festival and Races
- September 30th Harvest Party Potluck (and last market)

Questions/Feedback

