<u>KALISPELL FARMERS' MARKET</u> SPRING 2018 NEWSLETTER

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Hello Vendors,

Spring is fast approaching or we think it is. WOW what a winter. I hope you all enjoyed the beauty of all the snow and got out to frolic in it or stayed warm inside reading seed catalogs, making some of your exceptional art work or crafts for the new season. Maybe you baked up some new goodies to keep warm and got new ideas for some new treats for this year.

Spring is on the way the birds are arriving and looking for nesting materials and this makes me smile. I am looking forward to another great year at the market and seeing all of you wonderful vendors that make this such an amazing Farmers Market.

Look out for the new Kalispell Farmers Market posters and cards going out across the valley this season. Victor Brozovich a board member has done a fabulous job putting together a beautiful market poster and brochures with all the market information on it. These will be on bulletin boards and in hotels across the valley. Thank you Victor, for your dedication to the web page, your ideas, the posters and for going above and beyond your duties as a board member! You ROCK!

All vendors are encouraged to advertise on their Facebook pages, local craft sites, Craig's List, or any other places that will increase the visibility of the Market. Cheryl Lowe does a great job of updating the market Facebook with great colorful photos. Share the market page or check in with the market Facebook page and let all your Facebook people know you are at the market. This social media advertising reaches many and is free! Let's make this the goal for 2018, to get every vendor who has Facebook to share the page and see the increase in customer base.

Returning vendors please register for the 2018 season and remember you may register for both Spring and Fall at the same time, but you only have to pay for Spring at this time. Please complete the application on line at *kalispellfarmersmarket.org* and request your space/spaces. Be sure to read the 2018 Rules and Regulations. By submitting your application on line you agree that you have read and understand these rules and regulations and will abide by them. To keep your space from the Spring 2017 season, the payment must be postmarked by April 6th.

Mail payment to: KFM PO BOX 665 Kalispell MT 59903.

If you are wishing to get a reserved parking space or wanting to change your space for the 2018 Spring Season, please complete the online application and select the appropriate box of what you need for parking.

If you are new to getting reserved parking or if you want to change spaces from the Spring 2017 season, you may attend the spring parking meeting. You may also send a representative to represent you if you are not able to attend. The parking spaces are assigned by a drawing and the vendor then selects the space they would like in the turn that their number is drawn.

MEETING will be held:

When: Monday April 9th

Where: Willow Glen Montessori @ 349 Willow Glen Drive Kalispell

Time: 6:30 PM

Fee: \$90.00 per space for the 12 week Spring season from May 5th-July 21

Maximum of 3 spaces per vendor.

Fall season is July 28th-Oct 13th and the Holiday Market will be held October 20th at the Flathead County Fairgrounds from 9-3:30 pm.

This parking meeting is very short and if you are not able to attend or send a representative, then you can come to the market and select a space. There are no deadlines for reserved parking. Applications are accepted all season. Reserved parking is open until all spaces are filled.

Please read all the rules and regulations before submitting your application. There are a few changes. It is good to refresh yourself to the rules and regulations. By submitting your application you are agreeing to abide by all the Kalispell Farmers Markets rules and regulations. If you have any questions don't hesitate to talk to the market master.

Board Members for the 2018 season are:

Duane Braaten Victor Brozovich Carol Bunting

Cassady Daley Dan Erickson Mandy Gerth

Ruth Gibbs Cheryl Lowe Jean Williams

Please bring all safety concerns during the market to the Market Manager. The Market manager can be reached on Saturdays during the Market @ 260-5102. (This is only turned on for the Saturday market hours and no voice mail will be answered)

Some Friendly Reminders

All vendors must park their personal vehicles and trailers that do not fit in their space or are not being used to sell out of, in the South lot across from the motorcycle class parking lot. Do not park behind the building next to the market lot.

No vehicles may park on any grass at FVCC at any time!

Please be courteous to your neighboring vendors. Ask first if your canopy can cross over into their space. If your canopy is larger than eight feet it must be approved by the vendor next to you. Home Depot and K Mart have eight foot canopies.

Mark your calendars

Fall registration will be due by July 1, 2018. This will be done on the Market web page at kalispellfarmersmarket.org. The fall parking meeting will be Monday July 9th for those wishing to change spaces or those wanting to get reserved space/spaces.



