

# Homegrown: Martin Farmers Market keeps it local

The Farmer's Market has become a staple of summer in Weakley County giving local producers a place to exhibit their produce.

The mission of the local organization is to give local gardeners and farmers a nearby market for their homegrown produce, and to give consumers an opportunity to purchase fresh produce at a reasonable price from those who grow it.

The market is set up at 8 a.m. on Saturdays and usually run until noon. Mondays and Wednesdays opening is at 2 p.m. and generally there until 4 or 5 p.m. As vendors sell out, they pack up and leave. You've got to get there early for the good stuff.

The Martin Farmers' Market is now a part of the Tennessee Association of Farmers' Markets.

"Our goal is to give lo-

**On Saturday, Sept. 9 the market will be located on N. Lindell St., Martin.**



cal farmers and gardeners an out to sell their locally grown products as well as giving the community a place they can buy local fresh farm products," Gallagher said.

"This is our third year under

the new structure that the city has provided for us and we are very, very appreciative to the city for giving us a place. We used to sit out in the hot sun and it was bad for us, the produce and our customers. Now

that we have a place to meet under, the customers tend to want to hang out longer and socialize and that is good for everyone involved, so we definitely want to thank the city for providing the pavilion for us.

"We are a producer-only market. Everything at our market is produced by the people that you are buying it from. We limit this to farmers within 25 miles of the market. The market is based on a first come, first served basis, and booths are set at a rate of \$2 per day.

The market will continue throughout the summer into the fall. If you are interested in the Martin Farmer's Market you can contact Gallagher on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Hidden-Hill-Farm> or email [hiddenhillfarmtn@gmail.com](mailto:hiddenhillfarmtn@gmail.com).



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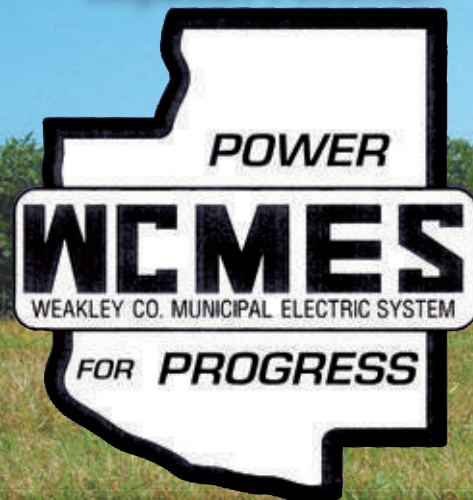
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