



# Market Newsletter



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CITY HALL MUNICIPAL COMPLEX 11111 WAYNE ROAD, ROMULUS, MI 48174

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## Letter from the Coordinator

by Merrie Druyor

Dear Reader,

We are looking forward to another successful Farmers Market Season. This year's market will open June 15<sup>th</sup> and continue every Wednesday through October 12<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Municipal Complex parking lot located at 11111 Wayne Road, Romulus, MI 48174.

If you have a product or service you would like to showcase, please consider participating in the Romulus Market. For a minimal fee, we provide you with a space to set-up.

This year we have a new Market Manager, who is no stranger to the Romulus Farmers Market. Chantae' Fowler has been a part of the Romulus market for several years, as well as

having a background in sales and marketing. She is a great addition to our team, and we know that she will do great things to help this year's market be a huge success.

If you would like to participate in this year's market, please feel free to contact me at (734)-955-4531 or visit our website at [www.romulusgov.com/farmersmarket](http://www.romulusgov.com/farmersmarket).

Warm regards,  
Merrie Druyor  
Farmers Market Coordinator



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## Upcoming Events

**June 15, 2016**  
**Opening Day of the Market**  
**"Romulus Best Friends Day"**

Stop at the information booth with your friend and you will each receive a \$2 coupon to use towards any market purchase.

**June 22, 2016**  
**National Onion Ring Day**

Buy fresh onions or onion rings and receive a \$2 coupon to use towards your next purchase at the market.

**June 29, 2016**  
**National Almond Butter Crunch Day**

Make a purchase at the market from any vendor and stop by the Ice Cream Place booth for a free sample of Almond Butter Crunch Ice Cream. While supplies last.

## Meet your Market Manager Chantae' Fowler



You may know her as the "Ice Cream Lady" or the "Cookie Lady", but her actual name is Chantae' Fowler and this year she will be getting a new name, "Market Manager". Chantae' is a long time resident of the city of Romulus and even started her education in Romulus at Beverly Elementary School. By the time Chantae' was a teenager, her mother moved her and her siblings to Detroit, but with a majority of their family still residing in Romulus, they still called Romulus home.

After graduating from Cooley High School in Detroit, Chantae' was accepted at Tuskegee University in Alabama where she attended and lived for the next 5 years. She originally went to Tuskegee seeking a degree in Architectural Engineering, but realized early on in her studies that she did not like her major. After changing her major to Fashion Merchandising, she buckled down and took to all the business classes like a fish in water, and decided that upon graduation she would seek a career as a buyer. Chantae' moved back to the city of Romulus and she spent the next 15 years working in both retail management and operations management for such companies as Winkelman's, Ameritech, SBC, Cingular and finally AT&T before deciding to start her own business in 2009.

She decided that she would start a business that made people happy, and since she had never seen anyone upset eating ice cream, she decided that she would make and sell ice cream and to add to her patrons happiness factor, she would make it by hand. She has applied everything she has learned over the years to her business and is watching it steadily grow. You can currently purchase her ice cream in several markets and grocery stores in the area as well as a few grocers in Oakland County.

Chantae' has been a loyal vendor at the Romulus Farmers Market, the Romulus Pumpkin Festival, the Romulus Community Festival and if you've ever been to the Romulus Sounds in Downtown, then you've no doubt seen her there as well peddling her cookies and ice cream. This year Chantae' is embracing her new role as the Market Manager. She began planning for the market season as early as March. Securing vendors for the market and introducing some out of the box ideas to draw all ages out to the market festivities. She brings to the market a wealth of experience in sales, planning, customer service, marketing, promotion, and team leadership and of course, a little bit of fun.



## Kids Club

The Kids Club is FREE and open to all children ages 5-12 years old. Kids enrolled in the Club will receive a \$2.00 coupon each month to spend at the market at any vendor booth of their choice, as well as make a craft each week. See the Market Manager Booth to enroll.

### Kids Club June Craft Calendar

- June 15<sup>th</sup> – Tile Art
- June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Book Marks and Book Covers
- June 29<sup>th</sup> – Personalized candy jar or flower vase

New this year:

### **Kid-Preneur Market Day**

Do you have a product or business idea you'd like to test out before you plan to make it a career? Kids 17 and under are welcome to attend the market Wednesday, August 24th to showcase their product, service or idea. Parent or Guardian must be present during the entire Kid-Preneur Market Day.

For an application please visit [www.romulusgov.com/farmersmarket](http://www.romulusgov.com/farmersmarket) or visit the Market Manager Booth.

# Mark Your Calendars

### Market Day Themes

- July 6<sup>th</sup> - "National Fried Chicken Day"
- July 13<sup>th</sup> - "National French Fry Day"
- July 20<sup>th</sup> - "National Lollipop Day"
- July 27<sup>th</sup> - "Romulus Prepare for Back to School Day"

### Kids Club Activities

- July 6<sup>th</sup> - Picnic on the Lawn
- July 13<sup>th</sup> - Make a Wind Chime
- July 20<sup>th</sup> - Hanging décor
- July 27<sup>th</sup> - Create a pen holder for your desk

Did you know 90% of our vendors are Romulus residents?



## Wednesdays

**12 pm to 6 pm**

**June 15- October 12**

Visit each week for a new Kid's Activity...  
Enroll in the free Market "Kid's Club"  
and receive a \$2 coupon each month  
to spend at the market!!!

**(734) 955-4531**

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**At the Romulus  
Municipal Complex  
1111 Wayne Road  
Romulus, MI 48174**

# Romulus Farmer's Market

## In the Community

### Movie in the Park

June 3<sup>rd</sup> - "Minions" at 7:00 p.m. in the Historical Park located at 11147 Hunt Street Romulus, MI 48174

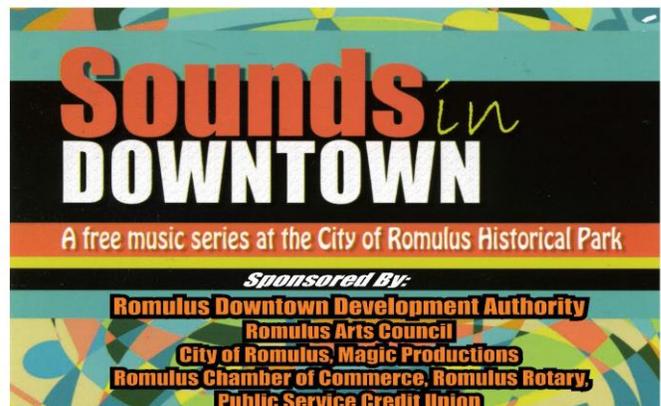
### Romulus Fireworks

June 30<sup>th</sup> - at Dusk behind the Romulus Middle School located at 37300 Wick Road, Romulus, MI 48174

### Sounds in Downtown A free music series

June 10<sup>th</sup> - Trilogy (Top 40)

June 24<sup>th</sup> - Hines Drive (Classic Rock)



# Sounds *in* DOWNTOWN

A free music series at the City of Romulus Historical Park

*Sponsored By:*

**Romulus Downtown Development Authority  
Romulus Arts Council  
City of Romulus, Magic Productions  
Romulus Chamber of Commerce, Romulus Rotary,  
Public Service Credit Union**

City of Romulus Historical Park  
11147 Hunt Street, Romulus, Michigan 48174

**7:00 - 9:30 p.m.**

The Romulus Downtown Development Authority (DDA), is proud to present a free music series "Sounds in Downtown" at the Romulus Historical Park. Enjoy family activities, vendors, concessions and Refreshments.  
Bring the family, a picnic basket, a blanket/chairs and experience great live musical ...Sounds in Downtown.

<p><b>Music brought to you by Magic Productions</b></p> <p>Fri. June 10 Trilogy Fri. June 24 Hines Drive Fri. July 8 Toppermost Fri. July 22 D' Tour Fri. Aug 5 Rick Lieder Fri. Aug 12 Rustbelt Revival Fri. Aug 19 Remedy Fri. Aug 26 Infinity and Beyond</p>	<p>Top 40 Classic Rock Beatles Tribute R &amp; B / Motown Awesome Variety! Rootsy Rock Rocking Country Journey Tribute</p>
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Concerts will be held rain or shine (except in the case of lightning.)  
Questions? Contact the Romulus DDA at (734) 955-4533,  
Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Meet our Key Vendors

- **Classic Finds LLC:** John from Romulus, MI will be selling used home goods and used furniture.
- **Ice Cream Place:** Chantae' from Romulus, MI will be selling homemade ice cream and cookies.
- **Lay's Libations:** LayTonya from Romulus, MI will be selling deli style sandwiches and salads, and freshly squeezed lemonade.
- **Laurens Farm Stand and Sweet Shop:** Lauren from Romulus, MI will be selling fresh produce and cake pops and sweet treats.
- **Norman Catering and Events:** Ashon & Leilani from Romulus, MI will be serving up a weekly themed food menu.
- **Uncle Calvin's Sweet Potato Pies:** Calvin from Detroit, MI will be selling 3", 6" & 9" size Sweet Potato Pies.
- **True Health Chiropractic:** Dr. Jeremiah M. Shaft D.C. a local business in Romulus, MI & will offer Spinal Screening, Chair Massage, and Health Questionnaire.
- **Shredderz:** Michael Pizaili owner of a Metro Detroit based food truck & he will be serving up signature hash browns and sandwiches.
- **GG Moore Farm Stand:** Glenda from Romulus, MI & will be selling farm fresh eggs, fresh herbs and homegrown produce.
- **Speedy BBQ:** Speedy from Romulus, MI & will be serving up fresh hot BBQ.
- **Mums the Word:** Carol from New Boston will be selling hanging baskets & pots, flats of flowers, lavender, parsley, basil, sage, oregano, and more.
- **Two Cousins and a Deep Fryer:** Dierre & Takanta from Romulus, MI will be serving up your favorite fried foods.
- **Cookin Calvin:** Calvin from Center Line, MI will be cooking fresh made to order lunches.
- **Sweet Arrangements:** Phillip from Wyandotte, MI will be selling jams and jellies, fresh baked pumpkin & apple bread, fudge, glass candy, assorted candy, and caramel apples.
- **U Nic' Designs 4 U:** Robbyn from Ypsilanti, MI will be selling homemade jewelry.



The list continues to grow, stay tuned for next month's newsletter for more vendors.

**There is still space available. If you have a product or service you would like to showcase, please consider participating in the Romulus Farmers Market. For a minimal fee, we provide you with a space to set-up.**

**Please contact Chantae' Fowler, Market Manager at 313-204-0990 for more information.**