



South Milwaukee Spring Market Planned for April 10

More Than 30 Vendors Expected at Unique Event at Bucyrus International

SOUTH MILWAUKEE – Art glass and apples. Homemade jewelry and homemade pastries. Goat's milk soap and hand-painted birdhouses. Chicken, cake and coffee. Even eggs.

You'll find all of that and much more at the South Milwaukee Downtown Market's Spring Market set for Saturday, April 10, at the Bucyrus International Heritage Building, located on 10th Avenue just north of Milwaukee Avenue. Hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event will feature many of the same vendors that made the summer version of the market so special, as thousands of people took to the streets of South Milwaukee in 2009 to celebrate the first year of the successful Downtown Market. The Spring Market will also include a South Milwaukee Chamber of Commerce business fair, stalls devoted to area nonprofit groups and music from South Milwaukee High School music students.

"This is truly a celebration of South Milwaukee ... a great event that will whet peoples' appetites for the summer market in June," said South Milwaukee Alderman and market co-founder Jim Shelenske. "Vendor interest has been strong, and there's a real buzz about this in the community. We're confident this special event will be a success."

Vendors interested in taking part in the Spring Market should visit www.smdowntownmarket.org for an application, and they can contact market co-founder and Fourth District Alderman Erik Brooks at erikbrooks32@yahoo.com or 414-841-8901 for more information. Cost for a 10-foot stall is \$20. Electricity is available.

The Spring Market hours coincide with those of the Bucyrus History Museum, which is also located in the Heritage Building, a unique space that was recently remodeled as part of Bucyrus' more than \$200 million renovation and expansion project.

"I can't think of a better venue," Brooks said. "Bucyrus' commitment to downtown South Milwaukee is real, and that makes it a perfect fit for what we're trying to accomplish with the Downtown Market. We're all about finding new ways to improve our city center."

Applications are also being accepted for the summer market, which starts Thursday, June 3, and continues every Thursday afternoon and evening through October 14. More information and applications are available at the Downtown Market website.