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Byrnes Mill Farmers Market in Northwest Jefferson County

Begins May 15, 2009, to be Held Every Other Friday

BYRNES MILL, MO – The first Farmers Market in northwest Jefferson County will open for business in Byrnes Mill on Friday, May 15, 3:00 - 7:30 p.m. at Byrnes Mill City Park, at the junction of Lower Byrnes Mill and Upper Byrnes Mill. The Farmers Market is sponsored by volunteers of the Byrnes Mill Improvement Committee (BIC).

At least a dozen local farmers, growers, gardeners and crafters will be selling fresh produce, herbs, plants, eggs and livestock, as well as honey, baked goods, crafts and homemade soaps and lotions. The Farmers Market will continue to grow in size and will be open to the public every other Friday (May 29 is next on the schedule) until October 16, 2009.

Susan Gibson, the Vice-President of BIC, is spearheading the research and planning, and coordinating with local growers. “I’m very committed to highlighting our local farmers and talented people in this region,” she says. “It’s especially important today as we’re working as a nation to save energy costs, preserve the environment and go green. I can’t imagine a better way to do that than to buy food locally and to support our local businesses.”

“This is an exciting time for BIC,” says Mary Scheble, BIC president. “When Byrnes Mill was incorporated in 1986, a group of volunteer citizens originally formed BIC. We started up again as a group just last year and held a musical concert over Labor Day and a very

successful Fall Festival in the park. Next, we added electricity to the park so we could offer events like this. Our Farmers Market is something we want everyone to take advantage of and to enjoy. We look forward to sponsoring many more community events in the future.”

To learn more about the Byrnes Mill Farmers Market, to rent a space or to volunteer with BIC, please call Susan Gibson at 636/677-0514 or visit www.byrnesmill.org.

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