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FAMILY FUN SATURDAYS
AT THE SUFFOLK FARMERS' MARKET

SUFFOLK, VA (June 7, 2012): The newly relocated Suffolk Farmers' Market kicked off in May with resounding success. Situated at the new Suffolk Visitor Center Pavilion, patrons have been lining up for fresh locally grown produce, baked goods and dairy products. Artisan crafts, handmade wooden toys and potted plants have also been very popular. Keeping the fun going, the Suffolk Division of Tourism has scheduled a variety of family-oriented programs throughout the summer. Live music, petting zoos, face painting, healthy living programs, book signings, magicians, caricature artists, cornhole, and fruit carving are just some of the activities scheduled over the next few months. As with the Market, all associated activities are free and open to the public. Market hours are Wednesdays 3 p.m. – 6 p.m., Fridays 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. and Saturdays 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. The handicap-accessible Suffolk Visitor Center and Pavilion are located at 524 North Main Street, directly across from the Hilton Garden Inn Riverfront. For questions, please contact the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130.

June Activities

Saturday, June 9

- Petting Zoo by the Teeny Tiny Farm

Saturday, June 16

- "Kick off to a Healthy Summer"
- YMCA will provide information on nutrition, membership specials, and a mini-fitness assessment test.
- Police Department will offer Ident-a-Kid service
- City of Suffolk National Night Out exhibit on display
- Music by The Dirty Outfit.

Saturday, June 23*

- Children's Author, Kim Norman, will present her brand new book, "I Know a Wee Piggy."
 - Petting Zoo by the Teeny Tiny Farm and entertainment by the C. Shells.
 - Face painting
 - Hurricane Preparedness Information by Suffolk Fire Capt. James Judkins
- *Market closes at noon on June 23 for private event*

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Saturday, June 30

- “Popcorn Day” at the Suffolk Farmers’ Market with complimentary popcorn and a book signing by Patrick Evans-Hylton—author of “Popcorn,” which features nearly 70 tantalizing recipes that ensure popcorn will never be boring again.
- Music by Mike DeMoss.

The Suffolk Farmers’ Market is produced by the City of Suffolk Division of Tourism with help from sponsor, Obici Healthcare Foundation. Vendors include Acorn Hill Farms Produce, LLC; B and H Produce; Gibbs Produce; Green Pastures Farm; Griffin Farm; Growing Green Acres; JC3 Family Farm, Noriega Farm; Rosa Shive; Apron Strings; Oberweis Dairy; Amelia's Heirlooms; B and C Wooden Toys; Black Silhouettes; Handmade Items by Bonnie Lee Munden; Perry's Totes; R'cycled Creations; and Hey Ice Cream Man!. For more information, contact the Suffolk Visitor Center at 757.514.4130, or email VisitSuffolk@suffolkva.us. Family fun days and interactive programs are planned throughout the season. Log onto www.Suffolk-Fun.com/farmers-market.html for details.

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