



## — Newsletter —

Summer is officially here, and with it,  
all the summertime fun – lots of  
member opportunities abound!

## COME EXPERIENCE MONUMENTAL MARKETPLACE!



Indiana Grown members will be sampling, selling and sharing their stories across the entire Indianapolis Monument Circle on **Friday, June 15, 2018, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** We look forward to sharing this day with members who have signed up to participate. If you did not sign up, we would still love to have you come visit with other members and share in the excitement of the day.

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## JOIN THE STATE FAIR INDIANA GROWN MARKETPLACE!



It's hard to believe, but we're already gearing up for the 2018 Indiana State Fair! That means the Indiana Grown Marketplace is right around the corner! If you are not familiar with this annual opportunity, Indiana Grown operates a store located in the Agriculture/Horticulture building that is available for Indiana Grown members to sell their products for the duration of the State Fair. It is a wonderful opportunity to get your product(s) in front of consumers for 17 days! It's free to participate, and you are only responsible for pricing your items and having them delivered to the store. If you'd like to participate, please click [here](#) to submit your information. Please direct any questions to Dana Kosco at [DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV](mailto:DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV).

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## VENDOR OPPORTUNITY AT MIDWEST RAIL FEST



The Northern Hamilton County Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Midwest Rail Fest in Atlanta, Indiana on June 23rd. The event lasts from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. and they are looking to highlight Indiana Grown members in their marketplace. Booth spaces are only \$25. If you are interested, please contact Catharine Heller at [catharine@northernhamiltoncountychamber.com](mailto:catharine@northernhamiltoncountychamber.com).

## WHO LIKES BACON?



The 5th Annual Indiana Bacon Festival is Saturday, August 25 in downtown Delphi from 3pm-8pm. Attendance has consistently grown each year with 10,000 people attending last year. New this year, is the “Indiana Grown” vendor tent offering ‘bacon-related or bacon-themed’ items for sale. Items they are looking for include cheeses, bacon jam, bacon ‘art’, bacon rubs, bacon kids’ books, bacon/pig shaped carving boards, etc.

They are **not** looking for prepared food items or beverages as their vendors will be serving those. Payment for items is done using tickets that are purchased by the public. As a vendor, you are reimbursed 80% per ticket with 20% going back to the festival to help support 15+ non-profit organizations. The fee to vendors for each 9’ x 8’ booth is \$30 plus 20% of every ticket. 8’ or 6’ tables are an additional \$10. Some electricity will be available.

Visit [www.IndianaBaconFestival.com](http://www.IndianaBaconFestival.com) for more details. Booth spaces in the Indiana Grown tent are limited and are filled on a first come-first serve basis. To make a reservation or for more information, contact Julia Leahy at the Carroll County Chamber, 765-564-6757.

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## WORLD CHEF CHALLENGE LOCAL CHAMPION



Congratulations to Chef Craig Baker, of Indiana, who placed 1st in the World Chef Challenge and finished 4th overall at the World Food Championships Final Table. If you're interested in competing at or learning more about the biggest food competition on the planet, click [here](#). This year's main event will be held in beautiful Orange Beach, Alabama, Nov. 7-11, 2018.

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## WEBSITE PROFILE TUTORIAL



this [tutorial](#) and load up your profile!

Did you know that there is a special page just for YOU on the Indiana Grown website? This is your space to share what you do, add photos, blog posts or links to places your products can be found. Have a great recipe to share? Want to tell the story of your 5 generation farm? Then watch

If you need assistance please reach out to our Outreach Manager Dana Kosco at [DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV](mailto:DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV).

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## EVENT CALENDAR



We're excited to introduce a brand new event calendar on the Indiana Grown website! It has been created as a way to share statewide potential sales opportunities with you as a member. There are fairs and festivals across Indiana, and we want to make you know about them all! Check out the calendar [here](#). We also want to hear from you if you host an event or know of any that would be a great addition to the calendar. Please email Dana Kosco at [DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV](mailto:DKosco@ISDA.IN.GOV) to submit your event!

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## UPCOMING EVENT AT SMOKING GOOSE



In August, [Smoking Goose Meatery](#) will hold their 2nd annual Indiana Grown Marketplace to run in conjunction with their monthly meat sale on 8/11. Indiana Grown members are invited to have a booth to sell their items (no onsite cooking or food prep) directly to consumers. There are no fees to participate in this event, but Smoking Goose reserves the right to limit registrations in each category to avoid too many items that are similar and will jury these on a first come basis. To sign up and for more information, go to this [link](#) or contact Smoking Goose directly at 317-638-6328.



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