Mark your calendars: 'Tis the season for the farmers markets

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Didn't we also have one on the Greenway last year (Fridays?) and on Payrow Plaza (Tuesdays?).

selections from Jennifer Sheehan, "Our 2021 guide to the Lehigh Valley farmers market season." Morning Call, April 5, 2021.

Bethlehem Farmers Market

This popular market, based at 1 Farrington Square on Lehigh University's campus is back after a yearlong hiatus due to the pandemic.

Opening day will be April 29 and the market will once again be held 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursdays, May through October, offering fresh local produce, lunch items, baked goods and more.

Info: bethlehemfarmersmarket.com

Bethlehem Rose Garden Farmers Market

Opening day: June 6

Regular hours: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. June to October

Location: Historic Rose Garden, Eighth Avenue and Raspberry Street

Details, vendors: The market, held in arguably one of the prettiest spots in the Valley, will be back with more than two dozen vendors (with at least eight new ones) offering organic and humanely raised chicken and beef, produce, baked goods, peanut butter, nuts, vegan yogurt, dairy, flowers, kombucha and microgreens as well as soaps and women's and

children's clothing. This market is also moving to the circle in the park, a more central location to enjoy all the scenery.

Shoppers may notice a lot of improvements at the park this year thanks to a state grant that has funded the addition of walking paths connecting the site of the market to the children's play area and bandshell.

Looking further ahead, the market will be part of Rose Fest, which is planned for June 26 and will be a rededication of the park and mark the 90th anniversary of the garden.

Info: mana18018.org/2021-market/