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Celebrate "100 Days Til Christmas" at the Mississippi Farmers' Market

It is almost here -- Christmas is only 100 days away! Rather than waiting until the last minute, this year you can get a head start on your holiday shopping and preparations at the "100 Days Til Christmas" event at the Mississippi Farmers' Market on Saturday, September 16 starting at 9:00 am.

Mississippi farmers will have some of their freshest produce including a variety of lettuces and organic vegetables. Make Mine Mississippi members will have a plethora of specialty items including specialty meats, frozen casseroles, honey, jams, jellies, barbeque sauces and rubs, cakes, pies, and other sweet treats which will be perfect for any holiday meal.

Begin crossing names off your shopping list with gifts from Mississippi's own artists and craftsmen. Custom-made jewelry, goat-milk soaps and lotions, and scented candles make good stocking stuffers, just to name a few. Handmade pottery, bottle trees, arbors, and other hand-made crafts make great gifts for friends and loved ones.

You can also learn a few holiday tips while shopping at the Farmers' Market. Jennifer Clark of Green Oak Florist will be demonstrating how to make Christmas wreaths. Local chefs will be cooking up some Christmas goodies.

Caricature artist, Bob Pennebaker, will be providing free caricature drawings. Santa Claus is making a special trip from the North Pole to appear at the Farmers' Market from 9:30 am until 11:30 am. Come get a preview of the Christmas trees that will be sold at the Farmers' Market closer to the holiday season. The Mississippi Farmers' Market is located at 929 High Street adjacent to the Fairgrounds. For more information contact John Gordon Campbell at the Farmer's Market at (601) 354-6575.