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## **Grandma's Garden Free-Range Chickens Supply Plenty of Eggs for Pella Farmers Market**

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April 30, 2014 (Pella, Iowa) — Five different breeds of free-range chickens at Grandma's Garden produce an abundance of fresh eggs — good news for customers of the Pella Farmers Market. Michele and Harlan De Boer raise more than 100 chickens on their farm near Pella and may gather 50-60 eggs every day during the summer. Ample natural fertilizer is produced as well, which enhances their all-natural garden.

The De Boers grow a large variety of vegetables and, with the help of a greenhouse and high tunnel, are able to extend their growing season and eliminate the use of insecticides and pesticides. Cucumbers, zucchini, eggplant, cabbage, peas and potatoes are among the products offered at the market.

Michele grew up in their neighborhood and learned gardening from her mother and grandmother. Now, advice is freely shared among local farmers. Grandma's Garden is one of several producers bringing fresh, local food to customers in central Iowa through the Pella Farmers Market.

For more information, contact Grandma's Garden at 641-629-3365 or [244garden@gmail.com](mailto:244garden@gmail.com)

The Pella Farmers Market is held Thursdays from 3 – 6 p.m., May through October, at the First Reformed Church. Call for information: 641-628-4581.

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