Plans under way for 25th French Farmers' Market

WOONSOCKET — The countdown is on for the 25th French Farmers Market, a rite of passage into fall presented by the Northern Rhode Island Council of the Arts.

The event will take place Sept. 15 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at River Island Park, off Bernon Street, featuring music, food, arts and crafts, a dynamite cook-off — and fresh produce from local farmers.

The Woonsocket Lion's Club will join in the activity by holding its "Rubber Ducky Race," a fund-raiser for the Milk Fund, at 3 p.m.

Also collaborating for the second time is RiverzEdge

Arts, a city-based arts and entrepreneurial development program for young people.

Being reintroduced this year is the Marketers' Reception, picks up at 5:30 p.m. where the day's events leave off. The reception, at the Museum of Work and Culture, will feature French-Canadian food, music and dance.

The Council of the Arts still is accepting reservations from crafters interested in participating in the event and always is looking for volunteers. Crafters should call Jeannette Cousineau at (401) 632-5812. Volunteers should call (401) 766-0788.



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FRENCH FARMERS' MARKET committee members are, from left, standing, Jack Lawhead, Jeannette Cousineau, Sue Beaulieu, Ray Rivet, Ray Nolan and Patrick Ryan; front row, Mariana Hadady, Phyllis Thomas, Monique Jean, Teri Robinson, Brenda Viscione and Sue MacKenzie.