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**Eli's Cheesecake's Summer Activities and Weekly Farmer's Market**  
**Thursdays, June 14<sup>th</sup> - August 30<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

The Eli's Cheesecake Company will host its 18th annual Farmer's Market this summer on **Thursdays, from June 14<sup>th</sup> to August 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 am-1 pm** on the lawn at Eli's Cheesecake World, 6701 West Forest Preserve Drive (intersection of Forest Preserve Drive, Montrose and Normandy) in **Chicago's Dunning neighborhood**. The market offers a great selection of the freshest locally grown fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers from **Nichol's Farm** as well as artisan-prepared foods and crafts made by local not-for-profit partners, including neighboring New Horizon Center for the Developmentally Disabled and The Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHSAS), which brings produce and crafts from the farm on their school campus.

Lunch is available *al fresco*: Eli's chef shops the market and grills a Summer lunch special from 11am-1pm each day of the Market. Prices range from \$6.95-\$9.95.

The CHSAS students also participate in a Summer Agricultural Entrepreneurship Program where they attend classes at Wright College followed by a speaker's program at Eli's that is open to the public featuring leaders in sustainable agriculture. Speaker's program dates are June 21, June 28 and July 19 at 1 pm.

The largest selection of Eli's Cheesecake and desserts is available at The Eli's Cheesecake Café including many exclusive seasonal baked goods, such as blueberry muffins, breakfast loaves, giant cookies, hand-piped macaroons, hand-dipped chocolate covered strawberries, fresh fruit tarts and birthday cakes, all baked fresh daily.

## **Additional Summer Activities:**

### **Eli's at the Taste of Chicago and Annual Big Cake**

**July 11-15<sup>th</sup>** – Stop by the Eli's Cheesecake booth at the corner of Jackson and Columbus and enjoy the famous Chocolate Chip Crunch Dipper<sup>®</sup> (frozen Chocolate Chip Cheesecake on a stick, dipped in crunchy dark chocolate), Original Plain Cheesecake, Turtle Cheesecake, Cookie Cheesecake Smoosh Made with Oreo<sup>®</sup> Topped w/Vanilla Ice Cream & Chocolate Sauce, and Lemon Mixed Berry Cheesecake.

**July 14<sup>th</sup>** – Celebrate the 38th birthdays of Eli's Cheesecake and Taste of Chicago with a **1,000 lb. cheesecake topped with a giant cherry pie, in honor of our celebrity cake cutters: members of the cast of *Waitress***. Look for the **BIG CAKE IS HERE** tent on Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30 pm at Buckingham Fountain in Grant Park, Chicago. Enjoy a FREE slice from the BIG Cheesecake (while supplies last).

**National Cheesecake Day**...Not just a day...a five day extravaganza: Thursday July 26-Monday July 30th

**July 26 (Thursday) - Decorate a Slice of Eli's Cheesecake** at the Eli's Farmer's Market plus cheesecake and dessert samples all day. Musical entertainment to be announced

**July 27 (Friday) – Decorate a slice of Eli's Cheesecake!** Plus cheesecake and dessert samples all day at **Eli's Cheesecake at O'Hare United Terminal 3** near the dinosaur from 12pm-2pm.

**July 28 (Saturday)** – Eli's culinary team will teach you how to make **Cheesecake Cannoli and Cheesecake Sandwiches**, as seen in the *O List, Valentine's edition*.

**July 29 (Sunday) –Classic Car Show and Eli's Cheesecake Fun**

Classic Car Show with over 100 vintage cars from 9am to 4pm. Lunch on the Grill available for purchase. See The Happiness Club, The Jesse White Tumblers flying over a giant cheesecake and enjoy cheesecake bingo, cheesecake hula hoop contest, cheesecake eating contests, take a photo with Eli's Big Slice mascot and more, 9am-4pm (schedule to be posted). Taste cheesecakes samples all day!

**July 30 (Monday) -National Cheesecake Day**

**Everything Cheesecake – Cheesecake Slices, Cheesecake Mobile**

Follow #ElisMobile on twitter to discover where we will be handing out FREE slices around Chicago and meet and greet Eli's mascot Big Slice and Eli's Big Cheese, Marc Schulman.

Enjoy a FREE slice of Eli's Cheesecake all day at Eli's Cheesecake Bakery Cafe and try a special made-to-order dessert: Eli's Smoosh<sup>®</sup>, cheesecake ice cream combo, Eli's Dippers<sup>®</sup>, frozen cheesecake on a stick, dipped in chocolate, or make-your-own Eli's Cheesecake Topping Bar.

## **Eli's in the Chicago Tribune Food Bowl, a weeks-long food fest with events across the city**

**August 9, 16 & 23 - Sweet Taste of Summer:** Eli's pastry chef, along with a different celebrity guest each week (Candid Candace and Roxana's Kitchen) will show you how to create a unique Summer dessert, using freshly picked fruits and vegetables from the Eli's Farmer's Market. 10am.

**August 23 - Eli's Drive for School Supplies:** For over 12 years, Eli's Cheesecake has supported its neighbor, New Horizon Center for the Developmentally Disabled, by donating school supplies to its students. Bring a school supply and get a free slice of Eli's Cheesecake! 7am-1pm.

## **Illinois Bicentennial Celebration**

**August 26th** - Celebrate the 200<sup>th</sup> birthday of the Illinois Constitution with statewide birthday cheesecake! In partnership with the Illinois Office of Tourism, **enjoy Eli's Cheesecake all across Illinois:** a BIG cheesecake at the official celebration in Springfield, and at Convention & Tourism Bureaus throughout the state. Times and locations TBD, Visit <https://illinois200.com>.

For more information about farmers markets, or any of the activities, call Eli's at 773-736-3417 or visit the Eli's website at [www.elicheesecake.com](http://www.elicheesecake.com).

*\* Complimentary continental breakfast for customers who purchase \$10.00 or more in goods at the Market from 8-10 am*