

## Summer's Over...

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Well, farmers' market season is over for another year. Sounds like I'm a seasoned hand by now, and I feel like it, even though Stahl's has only participated in one season (so far). Four markets in a week helps that 'long-time veteran' feeling along though. As autumn shakes summer away, and winter closes in, it's fun to look back at pictures and remember how great the last few months have been. It's an interesting trick of photography that lets you remember the smiles without the sweat – there were some pretty hot & humid days this summer, plus the physical work of loading tent, tables, food, signage, etc. four times per day; into the truck, out at the farmers' market, back into the truck at closing, and back out into the bakery! Thanks to so many new customers, taking things back was much easier - the baked goods were gone. Also giant thanks to family & friends who pitched in with everything from getting equipment and supplies, booth delivery & setup, storesitting, to keeping me company at the markets. They made it possible to have two 'storefronts' going at the same time; Margaret, Fred, Patty, Doug, Hannah, Maddie, Ben, Charles, Michelle, Lindsey, Richelle, and Becky. Don't make any plans for next summer, guys; you've been pre-approved.