



LOCALLY GROWN NEWS

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LGG RECEIVES CONTRIBUTION

In June, Bloomingfoods Market and Deli hosted the Consumers Cooperative Management Association's (CCMA) annual conference, a national conference of several hundred food co-op managers, directors, educators, and consultants, plus their national allies. In addition to the CCMA conference, participants attended the annual meeting for Cooperative Grocers Information Network (CGIN), a non-profit organization that works to strengthen and support food cooperatives by creating community and promoting the sharing and development of resources among its members.

For each attendee at the CGIN annual meeting, the organization donated money to two selected local organizations "working to improve their community in ways that align with the work and values of food cooperatives." The Local Growers Guild was graciously

selected as one of the organizations, as well as Mother Hubbard's Cupboard (MHC). **Attendees made additional contributions to LGG at the annual meeting, totaling a donation of \$1,225!** CGIN has requested that the donation be used toward technology-oriented improvements to aid in the efforts of LGG.

The Local Growers Guild is tremendously grateful for the contribution. "As a small staff with a modest budget, this donation will make an enormous difference to enhance our technological abilities and efficiencies," states LGG Director, Kim Kanney. LGG also congratulates MCH for their outstanding work throughout the community and for receiving the other half of CGIN's donation.

DINE LOCAL WEEK

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Buying local is important not only for your health and the environment but it also has a significant impact on our economy and community; it creates jobs in the farming and local food industries. You can show your support for the people who grow, cook and sell the food you eat by supporting retailer and grower members of the Local Growers Guild not just during Dine Local Week but throughout the rest of the year.

Stay tuned for more exciting details on Dine Local Week!



YOU'RE INVITED!

LOCAL GROWERS GUILD
annual meeting

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15 | 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM | CREEKBEND VINEYARD AND FARMHOUSE

GROWERS AND VENDORS

WINTER FARMERS MARKET

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JULY 15

This year, the Bloomington Winter Farmers Market will be open from December 4 to March 27, with the exception of December 25 and January 1. **To accommodate the expanded season, there will be an early application deadline of July 15, 2010 for priority consideration, with notification by August 11th.** There will be no guarantee of space availability after the July 15th priority deadline, so please do apply early. For more information or to download an application, visit www.localgrowers.org/wintermarket.html or contact J.D. Grove at wintermarket@localgrowers.org or (812) 340-2259.

FARM FOR SALE

A 75 acre farm in Orange County and house on the property is for sale. An elaborate watering system and fencing has been installed. The house is a 3-bedroom,

one bath and set away from the road. Interest can be directed to Mark Brace at 812-936-6311.

LOCAL PRODUCERS INVITED TO SELL PLANTS AND GARDEN PRODUCTS AT BLOOMINGFOODS EAST

Bloomingsfoods would like to invite local growers and producers to sell their products in the new garden center. Foods and perishable items would still be sold through the produce department but all plants and related items will be sold through the garden center. Bloomingsfoods will offer wholesale or consignment terms to local vendors. All products must be of good quality, healthy, and free of defect to be considered for sale through the garden center. For more information, contact J.D. Lucas at 812-988-0596 or gnplants@aol.com.

OWEN COUNTY FARMERS MARKET SEEKS VENDORS

The Community Farmers' Market of Owen County is now open in front of the courthouse. Hours of operation will be 8:30am – 12:30pm Vendor spaces are still available. For more information, visit the web site, call (812-829-2307), or email the Market Master, Ed O'Brien.

SMITHVILLE FARMERS MARKET SEEKS VENDORS

The market will be located at the Smithville Park Shelter House, which is just south of the Strain Ridge Road and the Smithville Road intersection, seven miles south of town. We have water, electricity and bathroom facilities available as well. The cost is NOTHING for the first few Saturdays, and very minimal for the rest of the season. For more information, please contact Kevin Pope at kpope@bluemarble.net or 812.824.6949.

VOLUNTEERS

HOOSIER HILLS FOOD BANKS SEEKS GARDEN VOLUNTEERS

2010 Volunteer hours are scheduled for the following days and times April-October:
Tuesdays 10am – 12pm
Thursdays 5:30 – 7:30pm
Saturdays 2 – 4pm

Please RSVP to volunteer@hhfoodbank.org or (812) 334-8374. Check out our Google calendar "Garden/Gleaning" to view available opportunities:
<http://www.hhfoodbank.org/glean.htm>

MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD WEEKLY GARDEN HOURS

April – October

Mondays, 2:30pm – 4:30pm
(Banneker Garden)
Tuesdays, 5:30pm – 7:30pm
(Crestmont Garden)
Wednesdays, 3:30pm – 5:30pm
(Harmony School)

For more information, please contact stephanie@mhcfoodpantry.org or 355-6843.

GREEN ACRES NEIGHBORHOOD GARDEN (GANG) SEEKS VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS

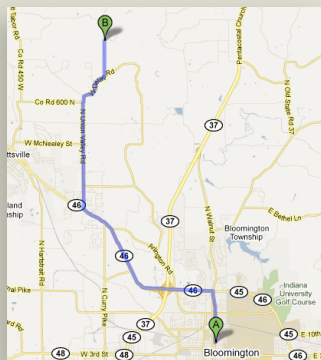
The Green Acres Neighborhood Garden (GANG) seeks volunteers and donations for the 2010 Garden season. For more information, contact Ann at 334-1987 or arkcrone@gmail.com.

Join the Local Growers Guild for our annual meeting at Oliver Winery's Creekbend Vineyard and Farmhouse.

Everyone is welcome; if you're not a member, find out how you can become one! Please bring a dish to share and a chair to sit in. Also feel free to bring any lawn games or instruments you like to play. Hope to see you there! (In case of rain, join us in the Mezzanine Room at Oliver Winery. Please contact Kim Kanney at 812-929-8890 with questions.)

4:00 – Potluck and Annual Meeting

5:30 – Creekbend Vineyard Tour



Directions to Farmhouse from Bloomington or Highway 37: (7508 North Woodall)

- Take 46 west towards Ellettsville
- Turn right (north) onto Union Valley Rd.
- Veer right onto Delap Road
- Pass Cowden Road and Vineyard Subdivision
- Turn left onto Woodall Rd.

You'll find the Farmhouse on your right.

PLEASE NOTE: THE FARMHOUSE IS IN A SEPARATE LOCATION FROM THE OLIVER WINERY TASTING ROOM.

UPCOMING EVENTS

“FRESH” AND “INGREDIENTS” FILM SCREENINGS

“Fresh” – July 11, 5pm and 7pm

“Ingredients” – July 25, 5pm and 7pm

Buskirk-Chumley Theater

Bloomingsfoods and Ryder Films will screen the films, “Fresh,” and “Ingredients,” on two Sunday evenings in July, at the Buskirk-Chumley Theater. The films feature interviews with food leaders who made visits to Bloomington during the past year as guests of the Food Studies program at Indiana University: Will Allen, Gary Paul Nabhan, Michael Pollan, and Joel Salatin.

Advance tickets for Fresh and Ingredients are on sale at Bloomingsfoods and at the Buskirk-Chumley Box Office: \$3 for Bloomingsfoods member-owners, \$5 for the general public.

CELEBRATE YOUR INDEPENDENTS RECEPTION

July 15, 6:30pm – 8:30pm

Oliver Winery

8024 North State Road 37

Come out to Oliver Winery and Celebrate Your Independents with us. Members of Local First Indiana and their families, as well as owners of other local, independent businesses are invited to gather, eat, drink, and rediscover the importance of local business for our economy, for our city, and for our lives. Where better to do this than on the scenic grounds of Oliver Winery, one of the largest wineries in the eastern United States.

HOMEGROWN INDIANA SUMMER FARM TOUR

July 18, 2pm – 9pm

Stranger’s Hill Organics, Phoenix Farm & Marble Hill Farm

See what it takes to be a local producer and make it work! Experience the summer sun and the plants soaking it up to produce foods we find both delicious and sustaining. Enjoy the flavors of these and other local farms at a dinner featuring local farm products prepared by Gregg “Rags” Rago of Nick’s English Hut and Jeff Finch of Finch’s Brasserie! Departs from and returns

to Showers Common, 401 N. Morton St. **Cost: \$60 per person. Register by July 12 at the Parks and Recreation** Department office at 401 N. Morton St. Ste. 250 (inside City Hall) or online. For more information, visit: <http://bloomington.in.gov/> and search for “Homegrown Indiana Farm-Spring.”

WORM COMPOSTING 101

July 22nd & August 26th

All events 7pm

Boxcar Books and Community Center

408 East 6th Street

Bloomington, IN 47408

Reduce your local landfill by starting a low cost and low maintenance worm composting bin! Worm composting is a self contained system that can easily fit under your sink for easy composting. We are excited to have Stephanie Kichler, www.wormplicity.com, show you how to create your own mini-bin while you discover what red worms like to eat. **This is a free class with an option to buy your own starter composting bin for \$17.** For more information, visit www.boxcarbooks.org.

REAL MILK DAIRY TOUR

July 31, 8am – 8pm

Tour will consist of a charter bus tour departing Indianapolis at 8am and heading to the Swiss Connection in Clay City, IN and to Rhodes Family Farm in Newburg, IN. Ticket Price: \$45 per person. Price includes: Charter Bus Transportation Cost, Two (2) Small Dairy Farm Tours, Cheese & Charcuterie Tasting, Raw Milk Production Handbook by Tim Wightman or Safe Handling Consumers Guide by Peggy Beals, RN, Milk discussion on the Bus Ride. Optional cost could include a box lunch or picnic lunch from Goose the Market and food items for sale at the farms (ex. cheese). For more information, including a detailed schedule, or to purchase a ticket, visit <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/115581>

LGG ANNUAL MEETING

August 15, 4pm – 7pm

Oliver Winery

Creekbend Vineyard and Farmhouse

Join the Local Growers Guild for our annual meeting at Oliver Winery’s Creekbend Vineyard and Farmhouse. Enjoy food, drinks, games, and a chance to talk with local farmers, local chefs, and folks who are excited about local food! Everyone is welcome; if you’re not a member, find out how you can become one! We will begin with our annual meeting at 4:00, which will then be followed by a tour of the Creekbend Vineyard and then a potluck in the farmhouse. Please bring a dish to share and a chair to sit in. Also feel free to bring any lawn games or instruments you like to play. Hope to see you there! (In case of rain, join us in the Mezzanine Room at Oliver Winery.)

DIG-IN

August, 29

White River State Park, Indianapolis, IN

On Aug. 29, Indiana growers will make their way to White River State Park to showcase their high-quality, locally-produced products and remind Hoosiers there is much more than corn in Indiana. Dig-IN will feature educational discussion panels, cooking demonstrations, urban gardening exhibits, local chef Q&A sessions, wine tastings, beer and food pairing classes and more. Learn from Indiana agricultural and culinary experts as they journey from field to table top. For more information, visit www.digindiana.org/

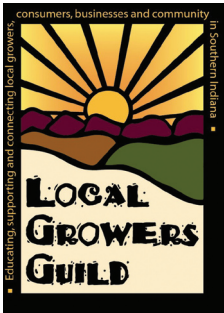
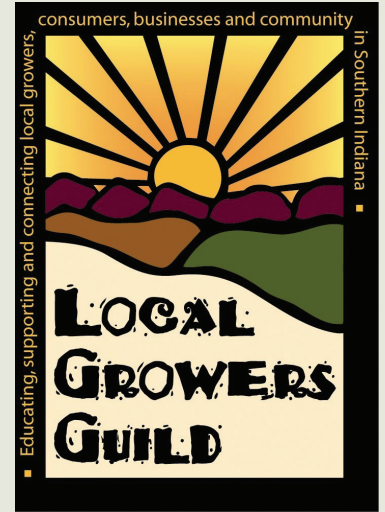
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Improving quality of life through quality of food.

The Local Growers Guild is a cooperative of farms, retailers and community members dedicated to strengthening the local food economy in southern Indiana through education, direct support and market connections.



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PLEASE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

GROWERS

Liberty Pastures
Ferguson's Valley Farms
Pine Meadow Farm

COMMUNITY

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