



Upcoming Food Conferences:

Michigan Good Food Summit

Date: June 14

Location: Lancing Center, Lancing

Register now for the 2012 Michigan Good Food Summit!

The 2012 summit includes:

A report on where we've come since 2010

Success stories from across the state

Your choice of one of seven action-oriented breakout sessions and sharing of tools and resources throughout the day.

See attached agenda. For further details and the online registration form, click [HERE](#).



6TH NATIONAL
FARM TO CAFETERIA CONFERENCE
AUGUST 2-5, 2012 BURLINGTON, VERMONT
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6th Annual Farm to Cafeteria Conference

Date: August 2-5

Location: Burlington, Vermont

Make plans to attend the 6th National Farm to Cafeteria Conference. Representatives from all sectors of Farm to Cafeteria will convene in beautiful Burlington, Vermont from August 2-5 for four days of education, conversations and fun. There will be skill-building short courses, field trips to innovative Vermont farms and institutions, a diverse workshop program, and plenty of opportunities to network with inspiring individuals from across the country.

Registration is now open. [Conference website](#)

The Spare Parts Band & Appleseed Collective Two nights of music to support FSEP & Tilian!

The 2012 Rancho Tranquilico concert series has two events scheduled to benefit FSEP and Tilian Farm Development Center:

Saturday, June 9: The Spare Parts Band featuring Billy King (of Frog Holler Farm) with special guest Kristen Uthus to benefit FSEP.

Saturday, June 30: Appleseed Collective, to benefit Tilian Farm Development Center (a program of FSEP).

Music and dancing in the barn starts at 8:00 p.m. with bonfire and more music afterward. Location is Barry Lonik's gorgeous property in Dexter Township at 11300 Island Lake Rd. (11 miles west of Ann Arbor).

Bayshore Run for FSEP -- A Success!

Congrats to FSEP Executive Director, Jennifer Fike for successfully completing the Bayshore Marathon in Traverse City! She ran 26.2 miles and raised almost \$2,000 for FSEP and our efforts in getting healthy local food in schools. We're still taking donations for this event, so if you want to donate, click [here](#)



Update from FoodCorps

This school year, FSEP helped three schools grow their very own food gardens! Through The Whole Kids Foundation, a non-profit of Whole Foods Market, our standing Farm to School programs in Ypsilanti along with our newest partner in South Redford received \$2,000 grants to build their gardens. With the support of the FoodCorps program, Ypsilanti High School and Pierce Middle School broke ground on their first food gardens this Spring. These living classrooms will offer students and staff a way to experience the food system from seed to table, while providing a range of enhancements to curriculum across the school. Ypsilanti Middle School's established garden provides a great opportunity to grow their own food to both the educational and greater community. With the Whole Kids Garden grant and the support of the Ypsilanti Farm to School Collaborative, the YMS garden is ready to keep growing! Farm to School is more than just the school garden, and Jennifer Rusciano, our FoodCorps service member is bringing the garden to students through lessons around food systems, gardening, and cooking. We



are continuing to strengthen our partnerships with growers and food service directors to bring local, fresh food to our students while supporting Michigan's farmers. We looking forward to growing these efforts through the summer and into the next school year!

Other Events & News

FSEP will be at the Ann Arbor Mayor's Green Fair on Main Street in downtown Ann Arbor on Friday, June 8 from 6-9:00 pm. Stop by our table and see what's new at FSEP! Click [here](#) for more information.

Capella Farm still has a few openings for CSA members for the summer session. Sign up now to participate. The weekly share includes a generous box of veggies, herbs and you-pick flowers (flowers available for on-farm pick up only). You can pick up at the farm on Wednesdays (3 - 6:30) or at the Saline Farmer's Market on Saturdays (8 - 12). For more information, check out our website at www.capellafarm.com

22nd Annual Ann Arbor Garden Walk supports Growing Hope on Saturday, June 9 from 10 am - 4 pm. Tickets are \$15 and you can purchase yours from FSEP. Email Jennifer Fike at fikej@fsepmichigan.org or call 734-222-6859. There are other places around town to purchase tickets so visit [here](#) to learn more. Last year's walk supported a hoop house at Tilian.

Many farmers' markets have opened in recent weeks. To find one in your area, check out the Michigan Farmers' Market Associate website [here](#).

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