

Wisconsin Local Food Directory

In partnership with the Wisconsin Local Food Purchase Assistance (WI LFPA) program, the Wisconsin Farmers Union (WFU) is introducing a new tool aimed to connect farmers with their communities and make local food systems and supply chains more resilient, thus providing increased access to local foods throughout the state.

The directory allows farmers to create a profile for their farm and list products. In turn, hunger-relief organizations, food and meal programs, institutional and wholesale purchasers, and community members can search for producers in their region.

Michael and Angie Lungren operate Rocky Run Farm in Kendall and participate in the WI LFPA program. They sell fresh vegetables to the program and deliver to the Neighbor for Neighbor, Inc. food pantry in Tomah, where their produce is distributed to the community. The Lungrens expressed excitement about participating in the WI LFPA and the directory, noting "We have a tremendous passion to grow healthy vegetables to provide to others using organic practices. The directory will help us expand our reach."

For the directory to be a success, WFU is recruiting a robust list of farms to include. "I hope that people take advantage of this opportunity," said Forrest Humphrey, WFU Local Foods Organizer and the lead for the directory. "The strength of our rural communities depends on our social networks."



Bloomington High School Class of 1988

On Saturday, July 8th, members of the Bloomington High School Class of 1988 gathered at the Bloomington Area Sportsman's Club to celebrate their 35th Class Reunion. Those attending the evening of reminiscing, laughter and catching up were (kneeling from left) Emilie (Horkheimer) Mumm, Stacy (Leamy) Martin and Chris (Kluesner) Disch; standing from left: Mary (Macke) Hampton, Bonnie (Kirschbaum) Mueller, Beth (Adrian) Peters, Christina (Brown) McAdams, Terry (Hoffman) Mayne, Chris (Sanders) Sander, Sarah (Brendemuehl) Clow, Melissa Steinel, Krista (Mezera) Hiley, Pam (Hoffman) Brookens, Mike Mergen, Kelli (Parkins) Keiner and Gloria (Krantz) Landon.



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