

2016 NDFMGA & Local Foods Conference

February 5 - 6, 2016

Friday, February 5, 2016

9:00 am **Registration**
 9:30 - 11:30 am **Pre-conference - veggie compass workshop**
 12:00 - 12:55 pm **Light lunch and welcome**
 1:00 - 2:00 pm **High tunnel profitability**
 Adam Montri, Michigan State University, Hoophouse Outreach
 Specialist

Break Out Sessions

	PRODUCTION	POINT OF SALE
2:05 - 2:50 pm	Saving seeds/how to select vegetable varieties	Selling to a grocery store: do's and don'ts
2:50 - 3:20 pm - Break		
3:20 - 4:20 pm	Virtual farm and field tours	Selling to a co-op: do's and don'ts

4:20 - 4:50 pm Hotel check in, prepare for evening activities
 4:50 pm **Banquet and NDFMGA annual meeting, with social to follow**

To reserve your room, call the Cambria Hotel & Suites at 701-551-0120.
 Room block for Friday night February 5, 2016, under North Dakota
 Department of Agriculture. The room block will cut-off January 22, 2016.

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Friday and Saturday, February 5 - 6
Cambria Hotel & Suites, West Fargo

*Registrations may be dropped off
 or postmarked by January 22, 2016.
 mailing address:*
North Dakota Department of Agriculture
600 E Boulevard Ave., Dept 602
Bismarck, ND 58505

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

I'm also registering a guest, or two:

Guest 1: _____

Guest 2: _____

Please fill out information on both sides

Saturday, February 6, 2016

7:00 - 8:25 am **Continental Breakfast**

8:00 am **Registration**

8:30 - 9:30 am **What is my tomato worth?**

Lynda Annoreno, University of Minnesota Market Coach

Break Out Sessions

	PRODUCTION	MARKETING
9:35 - 10:30 am	Food safety in the field	Diversify through agritourism
10:30 - 10:45 am	Break	
10:45 - 11:30 am	Food safety in the kitchen	Online ordering
11:30 am - 12:15 pm		Creating a business plan and securing financing
12:15 - 1:30 pm - Lunch with update from NDSU, ECH & NDDA pricing study introduction		
1:30 - 2:25 pm	Incorporating cover crops in your specialty crop operation	<i>How to use social media to market your farm or farmers market</i>
2:25 - 3:00 pm - Break/Contest judging		
3:00 - 3:55 pm	Irrigation: best practices for my fruits and vegetables	<i>How to market yourself and the market</i>

3:55 – 4:55 pm **From farmers markets to CSA: The management decisions a specialty crop producer needs to consider**

Mark Boen, Bluebird Gardens

4:55 pm **Announce contest winners and location for next year. Closing comments.**

Do you raise specialty crops?

Yes ___ No ___ I do not know ___

For accounting purposes only; you do not need to raise specialty crops to attend. All individuals who are involved in, or have an interest in local foods are encouraged to attend.

Pr-Conference Veggie Compass Workshop

FREE x ___ persons = FREE

Friday & Saturday \$55 x ___ persons = ___

Friday Only \$35 x ___ persons = ___

Saturday Only \$35 x ___ persons = ___

Enclosed is my check for \$_____ ck #_____

Cash or checks only; payable to NDDA .

Questions, call 701-328-2659, or jgood@nd.gov

Meals are included in the registration fees, please indicate the meals for you and any guests:

Me Guest 1 Guest 2

Friday Lunch: _____

Friday Dinner: _____

Saturday Breakfast: _____

Saturday Lunch: _____

Special dietary considerations:

Vegetarian _____

Gluten Free _____

Other, please list below:

Please fill out information on both sides