

# PASSPORT

## Marquette Food Co-op's Fifth Annual Local Farm Tours



Sundays • 1p – 5p  
May 30, July 11 & 25  
and August 8 & 22

## Welcome to the Tour!

Prepare for an educational and enjoyable afternoon exploring nearby farms that provide flowers, produce, meat, eggs, and more to you and your neighbors. Modern conveniences often separate the food on our table from where it comes from, so this is an excellent opportunity to see how it is grown and talk to the people who work on the farms. Whether it is just you, a group of friends, or the whole family, please visit any or all of these farms and ask questions. This is the fifth year that the Marquette Food Co-op has coordinated with the local farmers who have generously set aside their day to meet you and let you know what goes in to their work.

There is no charge for the tour, and everyone is welcome! Carpooling is encouraged. There is ample parking on Sundays in the lot across from the Co-op. Although the Co-op will not be providing organized transportation, please let us know if you are in need of a ride.

Farmers are busy people! Please plan your visit during the scheduled time of 1p-5p.

Also, farm-work goes on despite the weather and so does the tour! Dress for the day: layers to accommodate it warming or cooling throughout the afternoon, something to keep dry in the rain, and closed-toe shoes for your safety.

For more information, please contact Natasha at 225-0671 ext. 11 or via e-mail at [outreach@marquettefood.coop](mailto:outreach@marquettefood.coop).

## Passport Raffle

Keep track of your adventure and win a prize! Get your passport stamped at each farm you visit, complete the information below, and turn in your passport at the Marquette Food Co-op by Sunday, August 22 to be entered into a prize drawing to be held the next day. Everyone who participates in any portion of the tour and turns in a passport will be eligible to win a prize provided from one of the farms on the tour. A special grand prize basket of local food and items will be raffled off among those who attend all the farms on the tour and entirely fill their passport.

Name:

Phone:

E-mail:

I would like to receive the following via e-mail:

- General Co-op Announcements/Reminders
- Co-op Owner Newsletter *Food For Thought*
- None of these at this time

What did you think of the Farm Tours this year?

What could we do to make them better next year?

## The Marquette Food Co-op

Natural & Organic Grocery

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Everyone Welcome!

No Membership Required

All of these directions assume you are departing from the Marquette Food Co-op and driving directly to each farm. If this is not the case, please adjust the directions accordingly. You may wish to print out more detailed driving instructions from the internet. Even if you have previously visited some of these farms, stop in again to see what's new. Farms in this area are rapidly developing and evolving.

## Sunday, May 30

### Rock River Perennial Garden & Greenhouse



Grower: Elise Bunce  
Address: N6301 Rock River Rd., Chatham, MI 49816  
Phone: 439-5746  
E-mail: eliseb@tds.net

Product(s) Offered: Hostas, perennials, annuals, herbs, vegetable plants  
Directions: Take US 41 South approximately 18 miles. Take a left on M-94 East. Follow M-94 East until you reach Chatham. At the four way stop in Chatham turn left onto Rock River Road. Follow Rock River Road 2.75 miles. Driveway is on the left.

### Rock River Farm



Grower: Rowan Bunce  
Address: N6302 Rock River Rd., Chatham, MI 49816  
Phone: 439-5233  
E-mail: RRfarm@tds.net

Product(s) Offered: Produce, herbs, vegetable starts, chicken, pork, lamb, eggs  
Directions: Take US 41 South approximately 18 miles. Take a left on M-94 East. Follow M-94 East until you reach Chatham. At the four way stop in Chatham turn left onto Rock River Road. Follow Rock River Road 2.75 miles. Driveway is on the right.

## Sunday, July 11

### Beaver Grove Bison



Farmers: Robert & Jerri Haglund  
Address: 336 Co. Rd. 480, Marquette, MI 49855  
Phone: 249-1126  
E-mail: beavergrogebison@aol.com

Product(s) Offered: Buffalo meat  
Directions: From US 41 South, take a right onto Co. Rd. 480 (road before Beaver Grove Gas Station). Drive one mile. Driveway is on the left.

### Seeds & Spores Family Farm



Farmers: Jeff Hatfield & Jeff Chiodi  
Address: 724 Greenfield Road, Marquette, MI 49855  
Phone: 249-2158  
E-mail: seedsandspores@aol.com

Product(s) Offered: Produce, eggs, beef, pork, and vegetable starts  
Directions: From US 41 South, take a left on Mangum Road (just past the Beaver Grove Restaurant). Drive approximately 3 miles on Mangum Road until you reach Greenfield Road. Turn right onto Greenfield Road and drive 0.3 miles. Driveway is on the left (big barn with blue roof).

### The Smiling Dog Cut Flower Farm



Farmers: Dan & April Meister  
Address: 321 Westbranch Road, Marquette, MI 49855  
Phone: 362-3759  
E-mail: meister906@gmail.com

Product(s) Offered: Ornamental cut flowers and Christmas trees  
Directions: From US-41 turn right onto W Branch Road. At just over half a mile you will see 321 W Branch Rd. on the left.

### Blueberry Knoll Cattle Company



Growers: Joe & Jennifer Wixtrom & Family  
Address: 170 Taylor Rd, Sands, MI  
Phone: 346-4642  
E-mail: azulemoo@aol.com

Product(s) Offered: Beef, pork, and Amish-style chicken meat, eggs, spinners wool, produce, flowers.  
Directions: Take Co. Rd. 553 past the ski hill to the crossroads. Go approximately 5 miles South to Taylor Rd and take a left on it. Go 0.25 miles. Farm is on the right.

## Sunday, August 8

### Dukes Farm



Farmer: Gabriel Caplett  
Address: 254 Dukes Road, Skandia, MI 49885  
Phone: 942-7325  
E-mail: gcaplett@gmail.com

Product(s) Offered: Vegetables, fruits, herbs and cut flowers  
Directions: Take US 41 South approximately 18 miles. Take a left onto M-94 East toward Chatham. Drive 3 miles until you come to Dukes Road. Turn right onto Dukes Road and drive 0.9 miles. Driveway is on the right.

### Dancing Crane Farm



Farmers: Natasha & David Gill  
Address: 348 Lawson Road, Skandia, MI 49885  
Phone: 942-7975  
E-mail: info@dancingcranefarm.com

Product(s) Offered: Vegetables, rhubarb, u-pick green beans, and cut flowers  
Directions: Take US 41 South approximately 18 miles. Take a left onto M-94 East. Drive 4 miles until you come to Lawson Road. Turn right onto Lawson Road and drive 1.5 miles. Driveway is on the right just past Haglund Road.

### Hyer Farm



Grower: Jim Hyer  
Address: 306 Kunde Road, Skandia, MI 49885  
Phone: 942-7546  
E-mail: hyerhappyacres@live.com

Product(s) Offered: Vegetables & herbs, a limited amount of fruit  
Directions: Take US 41 South to the US 41/M 28 intersection. Continue on US 41 for 6.2 miles to Kunde Road. Turn right onto Kunde Road. Drive 1.3 miles (you will cross Heidtman Road). Driveway is on the right.

## Other Farm Tour Opportunities

We have not included these farms in our passport raffle due to their distance from Marquette. They are, however, a couple of our largest meat suppliers at the Co-op, have beautiful farms, and are definitely worth seeing! They will be ready to give you tours from 1p-5p on the dates below.

## Sunday, July 25

### Guindon Farms/ Delta Meats

Farmers: Matt & Barb Guindon  
Address: 9111 County 416 H Rd., Cornell, MI 49818  
Phone: 906-384-6517 E-mail: guinbt13@sbcglobal.net

Product(s) Offered: Limousin beef  
Take US 41 south and turn right on Genesee Road. Turn left on Division then turn left on CR 553. Drive approx. 17.7 miles and turn right onto MI-35. Drive 5 miles and turn left off CR 557. Continue on for 18 miles. Turn left on CR426/CR-G38 and go 17.3 miles. Turn right on Orchard 24th Ln. This turns into county road 416. Go approx 1.5 miles. The farm is on the right.

## Sunday, August 22

### Krause Farms

Farmers: Greg, Diane & Brian Krause  
Address: W13456 Raski Rd., Engadine, MI 49827  
Phone: 906-477-6537 E-mail: gakrause1234@hotmail.com

Product(s) Offered: Meats, honey, & maple syrup  
Take US 41 south to M-28 and turn left. Drive approx. 93 miles to MI 117 and turn right. Go 12 miles and turn left on Raski Rd. After approx. 1.8 miles the farm is on the left.