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CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS

Farm to Table

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New Mexico Organic Commodity Commission

New Mexico State University Cooperative Extension Service

The mission of the non-profit organization, **FARM TO TABLE**, is to promote locally based agriculture through education, community outreach, and networking. Farm to Table enhances marketing opportunities for farmers; encourages family farming, farmers' markets and the preservation of agricultural traditions; influences public policy; and, furthers understanding of the links between farming, food, health and local economies.

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THE NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (NMDA) is an agriculture producer-consumer service and regulatory department placed under the New Mexico State University (NMSU) Board of Regents with a director/secretary who serves on the Governor's Cabinet. The department has five divisions consisting of agricultural and environmental services, agricultural programs and resources, marketing and development, standards and consumer services, and veterinary diagnostics services. **<http://nmdaweb.nmsu.edu>**

THE NEW MEXICO ORGANIC COMMODITY COMMISSION provides certification services and marketing assistance for organic producers, processors and retailers and information, education and marketplace protection for consumers. Our aim is to be an effective advocate for organic production in New Mexico; to make the certification process accessible; and, to rigorously ensure the truthfulness of organic claims.

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CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE



February 2008

Dear Friends:

On behalf of the City Of Albuquerque, it is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the New Mexico Organic Farming Conference being held February 29 through March 1 in our beautiful city.

Organically grown products are free from harmful chemicals, artificial flavors and preservatives that ultimately cost consumers money when they purchase non-organically grown products. You can always taste the difference between organically grown and conventionally grown products. By using natural foodstuffs and having a particular concern for animal welfare, Organic Farmers use the environment's own systems to produce healthy livestock and return waste back to the soil.

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As Mayor of Albuquerque, I again want to extend a warm welcome to one and all. While you continue your important work, I invite you to visit some of our many wonderful amenities here in Albuquerque, like the Balloon Museum, Bio Park, and Albuquerque Museum. I am sure everyone will enjoy their time with us here in Albuquerque, and I hope to see everyone again soon.

Once again, best wishes for a successful conference.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Chayez
Mayor of Albuquerque

MJC/bka



State of New Mexico

Office of the Lieutenant Governor

Diane D. Denish
Lieutenant Governor

October 19, 2007

To attendees of the New Mexico Organic Farming Conference:

Welcome to what promises to be two days of exciting information sure to rev up your agricultural juices. The speakers and exhibits hold a wealth of information that can improve everyone from the backyard gardener to a full-scale farmer.

The food industry has suffered a number of blows in recent years with alarms over tainted foods, trans fats, bird flu and the conditions under which some animals are raised and slaughtered. One of the bright lights, however, has been the rise in public consciousness about more carefully choosing the food they eat. Admirably, your sector of the food industry is meeting that growing demand.

Where you once had to hunt down tiny grocery stores that were the only places to carry organic foods, you can now “go green” in large and small stores alike. Restaurateurs are demanding their food be not only organic but locally grown. Farmers’ markets have cropped up in cities across New Mexico.

Altogether, organic growers account for 75,000 well-tended acres in our state, providing food that’s good for us, building up the value of our soil and practicing wise and humane husbandry. Farming has never been easy, but New Mexico’s growing conditions are particularly challenging. Lack of rain, caliche, sand, wind and those apple-blossom-killing late freezes combine to raise the ante.

That’s where this conference comes in. Sponsored by New Mexico State University’s Cooperative Extension Service, the New Mexico Department of Agriculture, the New Mexico Organic Commodity Commission and Farm to Table, a non-profit, educational organization, we’ve brought together some of the best experts in the Southwest. Agriculture is an important part of our state’s economy, and we’re eager to support this fast-growing segment of it. Here’s to all our health!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diane D. Denish".

Diane D. Denish
Lieutenant Governor

WELCOME

Dr. I. Miley Gonzalez, Secretary of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture
Friday, February 29, 2008, 9:10 to 9:45am



Dr. Miley Gonzalez was appointed as Director/Secretary for the Department of Agriculture for the State of New Mexico in 2003. He has served as President and CEO of Gonzalez and Associates, a private agri-business and educational consulting firm and is the owner and CEO for Development Systems International, Inc. His areas of expertise include education and training, extension and non-formal education, with special emphasis in leadership, policy, and public service.

He has served on the faculty and administration at the University of Arizona, Pennsylvania State University, Iowa State University, and holds tenure at New Mexico State University. Secretary Gonzalez currently chairs the Agriculture Biotechnology Task Force for the National Association of State Departments of Agriculture; and co-chairs the U.S./Mexico delegation for the Tri-National Agricultural Accord with Canada and Mexico. His public service includes serving as the Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics at USDA in the Clinton Administration.

Dr. Gonzalez holds bachelors and masters degrees from the University of Arizona and a doctorate from Pennsylvania State University. Among his many honors over a thirty-five year professional career, Hispanic Business Magazine has recognized him as one of the top 100 most influential Hispanics in the U.S. He continues to do research on the needs of small businesses involved in agriculture, urban programs in agricultural education, and international marketing and trade. Of special note, he has conducted training programs in Costa Rica, the Ukraine, India, Egypt, China, Mexico and 16 countries in Latin America. Secretary Gonzalez continues to be actively involved in an international agenda.

KEYNOTE

ECOLOGY AS A MODEL FOR ORGANIC AGRICULTURE

Francis Thicke

Saturday, March 1, 2008, 8:30 to 10:00am



“A crossroads we now find ourselves at is whether we will allow organic farming to become wholly defined by the materials that are allowed or not allowed in production. Or, can we take organic farming to a higher level, also defining it as an ecological production system that utilizes a range of biological and cultural methods to build soils, defend against pests, and achieve our production goals. The benefits of such a system should include more nutritious food, increased biodiversity, better protection of the environment and enhancement of the natural resource base, and greater prosperity for organic farmers and for rural communities.”

Francis Thicke

Francis Thicke is the Owner/Operator of a 75-cow, certified organic, grass-based, value-added dairy, producing organic bottled milk, cream, yogurt, and cheese for sales through local grocery stores and restaurants. Thicke has been in agriculture his whole life, and converted the family farm to organic in 1976. Thicke has also been deeply involved in research and promotion of organic agriculture, testifying before the

U.S. Senate Committee on Agriculture, on the 2007 Farm Bill in March of 2007. Thicke currently serves on the Board of Directors of the Organic Farming Research Foundation, the Iowa Environmental Protection Commission, and Steering Committee of Scientific Congress on Organic Agriculture Research (SCOAR).

Thicke also serves on the USDA State Technical Committee for the state of Iowa where he drafted and got adopted an incentive program to assist Iowa farmers in conversion to organic production—the first such program in the nation. Thicke was a member of the Board of Directors of the Midwest Organic and Sustainable Education Services (MOSES) from 2000-2004; the Governing Council of the Consortium for Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education (CSARE) from 1998-2001; and the Iowa Organic Standards Board during the writing of state organic standards, serving as chair of Livestock Committee (1998-2000).

Thicke has served as the project leader for several local community projects, including an organic farming mentor program, linking experienced organic farmers with novices; a "Shared Visions" project to bring local farmers and community members together to create a vision and initiate action toward a more sustainable agriculture and community; and, a "Rural Action" project to facilitate the development of local value-added agricultural enterprises.

Thicke has received many awards for his work including the 2007 Sustainable Agriculture Achievement Award from the Practical Farmers of Iowa, the “Outstanding Pasture Management” award from the Jefferson County Soil and Water Conservation District in 2001, and the “Steward of the Land” award from the Iowa Chapter of the Sierra Club, 2001. Thicke received his Ph.D in Agronomy/Soil Fertility from the University of Illinois in 1988.

The NM Organic Farming Conference will take place at

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on your conference registration—see page 31.

How to get there

From I-25, exit at Paseo del Norte, turn west over the freeway and take the immediate left onto I-25's frontage road (or if coming from the north, exit onto the southbound frontage road). The Pyramid is on the right.

NOTES

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Call Joran Viers, Bernalillo County
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special needs.



Presenters, topics and scheduling of workshops may change depending on room availability and presenter needs. Session locations and times may change so please check in early January to confirm the schedule.

Full refunds of registration fees are available on written request received by 2/5/08. Half refunds will be available on written request received by 2/20/08. There will be no refunds of registration fees after 2/20/08.

If you can help get the word out about the conference by distributing these programs to your organization/clients/etc, please call us at (505) 473-1004, and we will get some to you.

At the end of each workshop session we will ask participants to take a few minutes to capture on paper some specific things that were of value to you (or why the workshop did not address your needs). These brief evaluations will let us know if we succeeded in getting you information you can actually put to use on your operation. While we hope that all of the sessions will be entertaining and informative, we realize that they must also be relevant and specific to the work you are doing. We will ask for contact information on these evaluations so we can select a sample to follow up with a few months after the conference. If you do not wish to be called at a later time, you can indicate that on the form. Your participation in this evaluation process will allow us to do a better job of providing you with information you can use. Thanks!

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For the farmer there's always something more pressing than getting tested for common health problems. Now it's easy for you to take care of yourself. There will be special health screenings during the conference.

- Glaucoma testing
- Blood pressure testing (heart disease)
- Glucose testing (diabetes)

This service will only be available on Friday between 10:00am and 3:00pm. Don't miss it!
More details in your Registration Packet at the conference.

FRIDAY 10:00 am to 12:00 noon • SESSION I
WORKSHOP SERIES • SEE PAGES 16-17 FOR AT-A-GLANCE SCHEDULE

LIVESTOCK • Processing Options for Livestock

Gilbert Suazo, manager of TCEDEC's Mobile Matanza, and *Laura Wilson* of the certified organic processor Western Way Custom Meat, LLC., will discuss processing options available to New Mexico livestock producers and possibilities for adding value through production of sausage and other specialties.

CROPS • Fruits of the Vine...and Cane

Dr. Ron Walser, NMSU Urban Small Farm Specialist at the Agricultural Science Center at Los Lunas will discuss variety selection, organic management and marketing opportunities for grapes and berries in the Southwest. Pomegranates? Jujubes? You bet!



Photo: L. Adams

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • Return of the Retailers

In 2007 retailers from around New Mexico came to the Organic Farming Conference to talk to farmers and ranchers about what retailers were doing to buy from local producers. They'll be back this year to hear from you and to talk about their plans for buying local in the upcoming year. Panelists include: *Michelle Franklin*, Manager, La Montanita's Cooperative Distribution Center; *Kenney Meyer*, Regional Produce Buyer, Whole Foods Market; *Bob Baur*, Owner, Toucan Market; *Carolyn Smith*, Outreach Coordinator, Silver City Food Co-op.

FARM SUPPORT • Planting the Rain to Grow Abundance

Brad Lancaster, author of *Rainwater Harvesting for Drylands*, will guide workshop participants through the basic elements of harvesting rainwater, from how to identify sources, to understanding the flow of water, to guiding water to its destination. The workshop will focus on the principles of rainwater assessment and harvesting, and the principles learned will be applicable to any situation from urban garden, to orchard, to ranch. Following the workshop Brad will be available to sign copies of his book (available at the workshop). For a preview visit harvestingrainwater.com.

DEMONSTRATIONS • Pruning

Corva Rose, New Mexico's premier pruning Diva, will give hands-on advice for pruning fruit trees, shrubs and vines to maximize production and develop hardy, healthy and happy trees. Corva will also give tips for care of those too-often-neglected hedgerows.

FRIDAY 1:30 to 3:00 pm • SESSION II

WORKSHOP SERIES • SEE PAGES 16-17 FOR AT-A-GLANCE SCHEDULE

LIVESTOCK • Building a Small Dairy: What You Need to Know

Alf Reeb, Chief of the New Mexico Department of Agriculture Dairy Bureau and NMOCC Contract Organic Inspector, will take up everything you need to know to get a small cow or goat dairy off the ground, from equipment to regulations. On-farm bottled milk and artisanal cheese is in huge demand. See if this market is right for you and what it takes to jump in.

CROPS • Successful Organic Farmers Speak Out: Veggie Production

Three successful organic vegetable producers will share their stories from variety selection and production secrets to marketing tricks. Panelists: *Amanda Mione*, Chispas Farm, Albuquerque; *Sharlene Grunerud*, No Cattle Co., Mimbres Valley; and *David Fresquez*, Monte Vista Organic Farm, Española.

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • How to Get Certified Organic (or Not)

Brett Bakker, Chief Inspector for the New Mexico Organic Commodity Commission, will discuss the common problems people have in getting certified organic, and how you can avoid them. Come with your toughest questions.

FARM SUPPORT • Heating Greenhouses

Sure season extension is nice, but are heated greenhouses really sustainable? They can be. *Shirley Trujillo* of Taos Pueblo's Red Willow Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Education will talk about Red Willow's heated greenhouse operation. *Other speakers to be announced.*

DEMONSTRATIONS • Off the Grid: Solar System Setup

Dr. Robert Foster, Director of the Southwest Technology Development Institute, NMSU, will discuss solar and other renewable energy applications for on-farm use. If you are thinking about a solar setup for anything from hot water to moving entirely off the grid this is the workshop for you.



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FRIDAY 3:30 to 5:00 pm • SESSION III

WORKSHOP SERIES • SEE PAGES 16-17 FOR AT-A-GLANCE SCHEDULE

LIVESTOCK • Veterinary Care for Organic Livestock

Dr. Meg Cattell and *Dr. Arden Nelson*, large animal veterinarians and owners of the certified organic Windsor Dairy in Colorado, will cover varied aspects of keeping your herd healthy while following the organic standards.

CROPS • Who Do You Love? Beneficial Insects on Your Farm

Dr. Carol Sutherland, NMDA/NMSU entomologist, will talk about the role of beneficial insects: who they are, what they need and what they can do for you. Get all the information you need to cuddle these helpful little creatures.

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • Food Safety on the Farm

Do the increasing reports of E coli and salmonella contamination of farm crops have you worried? *Del Jimenez*, NMSU extension specialist, will cover the basics of Good Agricultural Practices. Find out what you need to do to keep trouble away from your door.

FARM SUPPORT • What Happens in Your Acequia

NMSU Researchers *Dr. Steve Guldan* and *Dr. Sam Fernald* will report on their long-term survey of what happens to water flowing in acequias. Does this recharge our aquifers? What are the benefits and liabilities of traditional acequia irrigation?

DEMONSTRATIONS • Farm Ergonomics

Ray Singer of the New Mexico Environment Department Occupational Health and Safety Program will discuss steps farmers can take to keep hardworking bodies working. If your back is aching and your neck is stiff this workshop is for you.



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SATURDAY 10:30 am to 12:00 noon • SESSION IV
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LIVESTOCK • Best Ranching Practices: Rotational Grazing

Grazing cattle on desert ranges doesn't have to leave a wasteland. *Sid Goodloe*, pioneer of rotational grazing, will discuss rotational grazing and watershed rehabilitation. If you are running cattle on rangeland, this workshop is a must.

CROPS • Soils 101

Francis Thicke, conference keynote, will delve into the good stuff. What makes a good soil? What can you do to move your soil from desert sand to black gold? This workshop will give you the information you need to understand what is happening in your soil and what can be done to improve it.

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • Conservation Easements: Are They Right for Your Farm?

Scott Wilbur, Executive Director of New Mexico Land Conservancy will cover everything you need to know about conservation easements to preserve your agricultural land, including the role of land trusts in private land conservation; a discussion of what conservation easements are and how they work; the tax benefits of conservation easements—new federal income tax benefits, state tax credit, estate tax benefits; purchase of development rights through conservation easements; and funding sources for purchasing development rights through conservation easements—federal programs, state funding programs/initiatives, local programs/initiatives.

FARM SUPPORT • Season Extension Techniques

Don Bustos of Santa Cruz Farm and Greenhouse in Española will walk you through the ins and outs of 4-season production with minimal energy use. The demand for local produce and for 4-season production has never been stronger. Get the information you need to make it work on your farm.

DEMONSTRATIONS • Tractor and Equipment Safety

Farming and ranching are the sixth most dangerous jobs in the United States. Many times, taking a simple precaution can help you avoid injury. Learn to identify the hazards on your farm and find out what you can do to protect yourself. *Speaker to be announced.*



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SATURDAY 1:30 to 3:00 pm • SESSION V

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LIVESTOCK • Organic Egg Production

Thinking of taking up egg production? This workshop will guide participants through the basics of organic egg production from breed selection to flock care. *Speaker to be announced.*

CROPS • Weed Management in Organic Production

Dr. Ron Godin, researcher at Colorado State University has been a favorite speaker on soil building for years at the organic farming conference. This year, Ron branches out to take on weed control through the use of crop rotation, cover crops and other eco-centered strategies for organic producers. Ron will include information on the use of vinegar and corn gluten meal in weed control.



Photo: L. Adams

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • Finding Your Niche: Marketing for Small-scale Veggie Producers

Cecilia McCord, of Rancho Nido de las Golondrinas will cover all the bases from farmers' markets to selling to restaurants. If you are producing vegetables in non-wholesale quantities this is the place to go for tips on finding markets.

FARM SUPPORT • For the Birds

As rural land increasingly falls to development, habitat for birds is disappearing fast, and so are many of our most common feathered friends. Birds play a vital role in balancing the ecosystem and making organic and sustainable farming possible. For many bird species, farms have become a last refuge. *Rob Fergus*, Senior Scientist for Bird Conservation, National Audubon Society, will talk about what birds you might find on your farm and what you can do to provide cover, food and safe nesting places.

DEMONSTRATIONS • Drip Irrigation

Drip irrigation is being used by an increasing number of producers for more targeted delivery of water and to cut down water use. Does it make sense to switch to drip? This workshop will provide you with all the information you need to set up an on-farm drip irrigation system for use with mixed vegetable operations. *Speaker to be announced.*

SATURDAY 3:30 to 5:00 pm • SESSION VI

WORKSHOP SERIES • SEE PAGES 16-17 FOR AT-A-GLANCE SCHEDULE

LIVESTOCK • **Beekeeping Without Chemicals**

Keeping bees on your farm has never been more important, as bee populations face a sharp decline around the world. *Les Crowder*, master bee-keeper, will introduce his top-bar hive system for honey bees. These hives are simple to build and will keep your bees happy and healthy.

CROPS • **Successful Organic Farmers Speak Out: Fruit Production**

Join successful organic fruit producers *Doug Findley*, of Heidi's Raspberry Farm in Corrales; and *Barbara Hawn* and *Trenton Wann* of Cider Mill Farms in Tularosa for a guided tour of what's happening in organic fruit production in New Mexico.



Photo: L. Adams

MARKETING/CERTIFICATION • **Soil Health in Drylands—A Permaculture Approach**

There is more life and biomass underground than above the soil horizon. Soil is not just a surface upon which we garden, grow and walk, it is what determines the nutrient content of food, defines our water use, affects plant, animal and ecosystem health. Learn with *Scott Pittman* of the Permaculture Drylands Institute about simple techniques for improving our soils, by increasing its biological activity, diversifying its biota, improving water absorption and more.

FARM SUPPORT • **Strategies for Retirement/Transition to the Next Generation**

Farmers and ranchers nearing (what in any other occupation) would be considered retirement age, face a lot of questions. Do you want to cut back, and if so, how do you decide what to cut? Does it make sense to hire help or just let the farm “rest?” What are things to consider if you are passing the farm to the next generation? If there is no next generation, what plans do you want to make to conserve the land? These questions and others will be explored in this workshop for graying farmers and ranchers. *Speaker to be announced.*

DEMONSTRATIONS • **Veggie Washing Station**

Nobody likes their produce covered with mud. *Dr. Craig Ricketts*, Professor of Engineering Technology at NMSU and *Dr. Connie Falk*, Professor of Agricultural Economics at NMSU have collaborated to design and build a veggie washing station for on-farm use. Come see the results of their work and get the plans to build your own.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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10:00-10:30	NETWORKING BREAK		
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10:30-12:00 NOON	LIVESTOCK Best Ranching Practices: Rotational Grazing	CROPS Soils 101	MARKETING Conserv for Your
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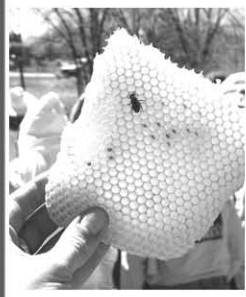
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