

YOUR FARM TOUR HOSTS (COLOR CODED)

PARSONS FARM / HARWOOD GOLD • 61 Parsons Road, Charlevoix • (347) 406-2868 • harwoodgold.com

The Harwood Gold commercial kitchen and maple syrup production is located on the Parsons Centennial Farm. The Parsons family has been making maple syrup there since 1898, from the maple trees that surround Harwood Lake.

Accessibility: The barn is ADA accessible, although there is some gravel on the path to one door that does not have a step. The site has an ADA accessible bathroom and ramps between different areas of the barn.

Sessions: Maple Syrup Production

ROCKY TOP FARMS • 8642 US-31, Ellsworth • (231) 620-0809 • www.rockytopfarms.com

Rocky Top Farms grows and harvests fruit to MAEAP standards to create delicious preserves, fruit butters and specialties. Besides growing fruit, RTF creates custom Michigan cedar wood products, hosts overnight stays at their cabins via Airbnb, and hosts weddings.

Accessibility: The site has some rutted out roads and uneven terrain. A side-by-side is available to help with transport. Please contact Heidi in advance (phone number above) to request assistance.

Sessions: Farmer Story Telling • Biochar Production • Agritourism for Farm Transition from Orchard Crops • Campfire

PROVIDENCE ORGANIC FARM • 5695 N Michigan 88, Central Lake • (231) 350-6420 • providenceorganicfarm.com

First generation farmers Ryan and Andrea grow 30 acres of organic vegetables and berries, raise grass-fed beef and lamb, as well as pastured pork. A charming farm market, cafe and natural foods store features an organic espresso and tea bar, kombucha on tap, organic produce and meats, local honey, maple syrup, eggs, cheese, gift items and much more.

Accessibility: Some mobility challenges away from market. Tours require walking and standing on two tracks and occasional uneven terrain.

Sessions: Forest-raised Pork, and Grass-fed Beef & Lamb • Raising, Training and Working Border Collies • CSA Network Farmer Listening Session • Farm Bill Advocacy • Lunch • Restoring Relationship with the Land: How Collective Healing Can Guide Agricultural Practices for a Better Tomorrow • Telling Your Farm Story • Branding and Marketing

BUCKWHEAT'S MARKET GARDEN • 400 S Derenzy Rd, Central Lake • (248) 420-7118 • buckwheatmarketgarden.com

Buckwheat's Market Garden is a diverse vegetable and flower farm using an intensified production model that maximizes yield in a small-scale growing space. Soil health, water conservation, ecological and biological diversity are top priorities of Buckwheat's along with uplifting community resilience with locally-grown food.

Accessibility: The farm site is relatively flat and has been accessed by walkers and wheelchairs in the past, with the exception of the wash/pack, cooler and greenhouse, which are located uphill via a sandy driveway. Farm vehicles can offer transport to those with mobility challenges.

Sessions: Market Garden Method and Farm Collaboration

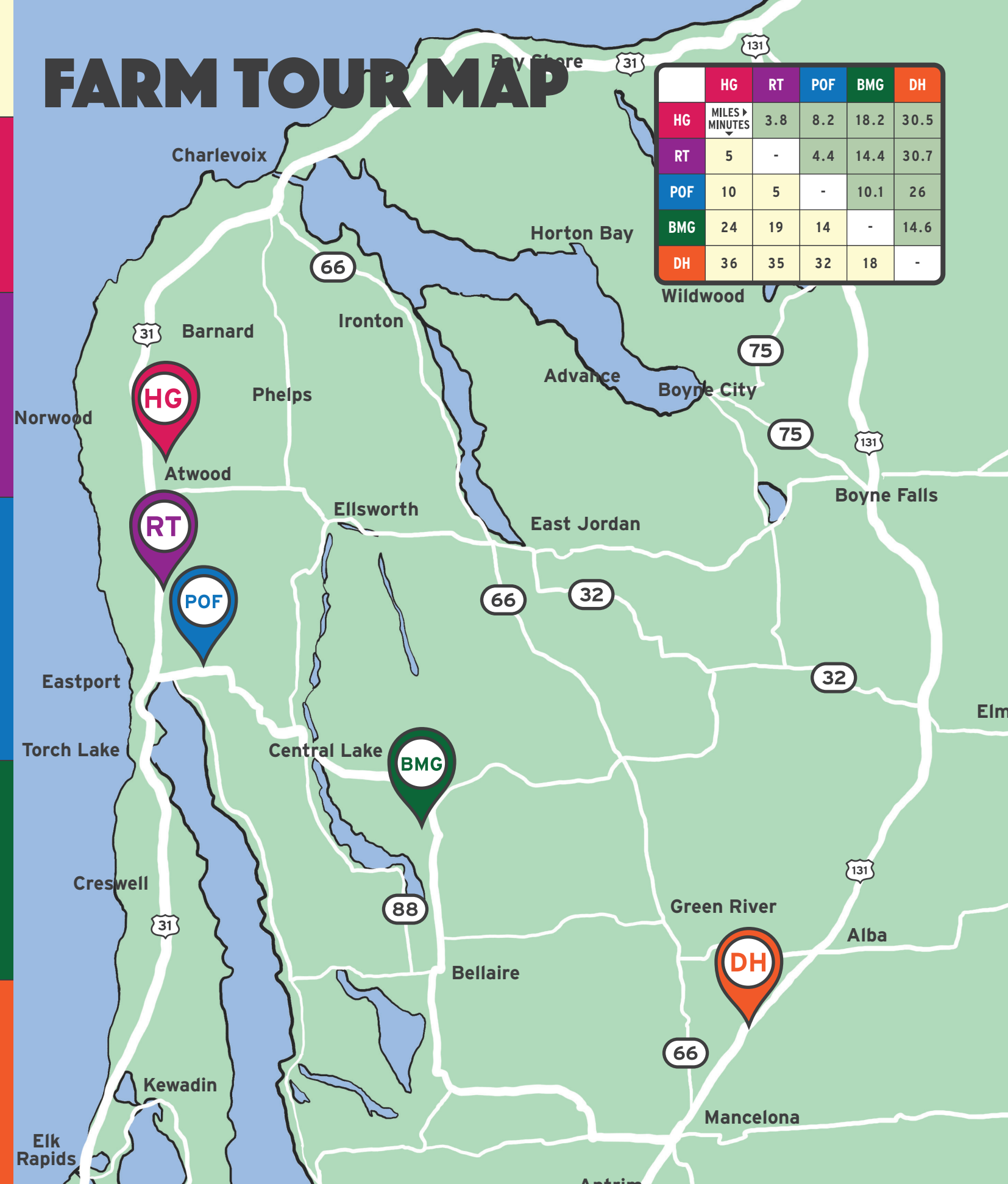
DANU HOF • 3775 Doerr Rd, Mancelona • (517) 581-1055 • www.danuhof.com

In 2017 Caitlin and Larry realized their dream of breathing life back into a 100-year-old farm in the heart of beautiful Northern Michigan. They currently have pigs and chickens as well as market gardens.

Accessibility: The main site is fairly hard packed grass that is generally accessible. Some parts of the chicken pastures include more uneven ground and small obstacles. These sites can be viewed from easily accessible areas. Accommodations are available by request—call the number above.

Sessions: Farrow to Finish Pigs • Chicken Tractors

FARM TOUR MAP



All of the above addresses are confirmed to work in Google Maps and Apple Maps but are not tested in other GPS systems. Not all roads are represented in the adjacent map and marker placements are approximate.



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This conference is embedded in land that has been cherished and maintained for many thousands of years by the Odawa and Ojibwe nations. We name that the colonization of Michigan was a part of a national project of erasure that hindered access of the Anishinaabek to their lands and water, and that committed physical and spiritual violence against native traditions, languages, beliefs, community structures, and bodies. We honor these communities for their long-standing kinship with the land and their resilience in the face of colonization.

CONFERENCE GUIDE (COLOR CODED TO MATCH THE MAP)

The conference begins concurrently at all five farm sites at 10 am. Each session is 75 minutes long, leaving a 15-minute window for travel. Note that some travel times are longer! You may need to leave early or arrive late.

10 AM SESSIONS:

Maple Syrup Production	Parsons Farm/Harwood Gold	Amber and Katie Parsons
Biochar Production	Rocky Top Farms	Paul May
Agritourism for Transition from Orchard Crops	Rocky Top Farms	Heidi Cooper
Forest-raised Pork and Grass-fed Beef & Lamb	Providence Organic Farm	Andrea Romeyn
Raising, Training and Working Border Collies	Providence Organic vFarm	Ryan Romeyn
Market Garden Method and Farm Collaboration	Buckwheat's Market Garden	Adrienne Wolff
Farrow to Finish Pigs	Danu Hof	Caitlin McSweeny-Steffes

11:30 AM SESSIONS:

CSA Network Farmer Listening Session	Providence Organic Farm	Marisel Borgman & Kelly McClelland MSU Community Food Systems
What's the Farm Bill Anyway?	Providence Organic Farm	Hagan Capnerhurst, MIFFS
Chicken Tractors	Danu Hof	Larry Steffes

THOUGHTS ON LUNCH: Bring your lunch, or purchase grab-and-go food from the Providence Organic Farm Market. All remaining sessions are held at Providence Organic Farm.

1 PM SESSIONS:

Restoring Relationship with the Land	Providence Organic Farm	Mary Donner
Telling Your Farm Story	Providence Organic Farm	Payge Solidago

2:30 PM SESSION:

Branding and Marketing	Providence Organic Farm	Katie Parsons
Scaling Up Veggie Production	Providence Organic Farm	Ryan Romeyn
Roundtable Follow-up	Providence Organic Farm	Conference Attendees

EVENING SOCIALS: Rocky Top Farms will provide the campfire—you bring your own food and beverage, and a question or story to share with your fellow farmers. They'll host both Sunday and Monday night at 7 pm.

OTHER ACTIVITIES: Our main host site, Providence Organic Farm, also welcomes you to poke around (stay on the path please), join the conference scavenger hunt, and/or swap tools, equipment, supplies, seeds and anything else you want to bring to the conference swap meet.

FINALLY, A QUICK NOTE TO SAY THANK YOU to the many farmers and other volunteers who came together to build this conference, and to the sponsors, donors and grantmakers who keep this conference affordable. We're rebuilding this essential event after a challenging pandemic. Would you like to help?

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