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Experience

Farm owner/operator of Long Hungry Creek Farm

Red Boiling Springs, TN

1974- Present

- Responsible for the operations, production, and maintenance of a 250 acre organic farm.
- Maintain a CSA since 1999, with 100 members.
- Developed and maintained an internship training program since 1990.
- Written a gardening column for Macon County Chronicle since 1993.
- Written two agriculture books, *The Best of the Barefoot Farmer*, and *The Best of the Barefoot Farmer Vol. 2*.
- Hold agritourism events where visitors can acquire hands-on farm experience.
- Host workshops, lectures, retreats, and various educational events that are open to the public and used to expand knowledge of how to create agricultural products.
- Host a television series on PBS called *Volunteer Gardener*.
- Travels to give lectures at conferences, master gardens programs, schools, etc.
- Travels to other farms and gardens to give consultations on production and marketing.

Farm and CSA Start-up and Assistance

- Bells Bend Farm in Nashville, TN: Established the farm, trained the owners, educated the local public, and helped to establish the CSA model and continued presence at the West Nashville Farmers Market that is currently used as means of income for the farm. Continue consultation work for them.
- Six Boots Grower's Collective, a CSA: Trained the owners who have established the farm and CSA network that serves to increase accessibility and consumption of locally grown agriculture products and maintains a presence at the 12th South Farmers Market in Nashville, TN. Continue consultation work for them.
- Piney River, a Lee McCormick Farm: Aided in the training and education of owners and employees to establish a fully operating farm with produce going to a local farmers market and CSA program and an on-farm restaurant.
- Coree Entwistle's CSA: Through the completion of the internship program run at Long Hungry Creek Farm and all of the necessary skills, knowledge, support, and confidence that was gained from said experience, Coree Entwistle was able to start her own farm and CSA program which has been in existence since 2007.
- Riverside CSA in Atlanta, GA: Supports and assists CSA by way of supplying supplemental agricultural products such as tons of butternut squash and sweet potato per year.
- Green Door Gourmet in Nashville, TN: Aided in the training and education of owners and employees to establish a fully operating farm with produce going to a local farmers market and CSA program, along with direct marketing at their farm store.
- Hill and Holler Farm: The owners and operators of this farm completed their internship here at Barefoot Farmer in 1997 and began their farm which direct markets to a CSA and the Nashville Farmers Market.

Organize, Plan, and Host Educational Events

Tennessee Local Food Summit

2011 - Present

- Founded the event, and have had it hosted at Travecca Nazarene University and Lipscomb University, Green Door Gourmet, Vanderbilt University and Tennessee State University.
- Schedule and organize all lectures by guest speakers who are well-known leaders, authors, and icons in the agricultural movement.
- Schedule and organize all workshops which aim to teach the public about growing their own agricultural products and direct marketing them within their community.

Biodynamic Conference

1987 - Present

- Founded the event, and have hosted the event using own resources.
- Schedule and organize all lectures by guest speakers who are well-known leaders, authors, and icons in the biodynamic agricultural movement.
- Schedule and organize all workshops which serve to teach attendees about growing their own agricultural products for direct marketing and increased consumption by the local population.

Yoga Retreat

2011 – Present

- Hosted the event since it began.
- Help to plan and organize the event so that participants can enjoy their time while also learning as much about agriculture as they can during the allotted time.
- Spend 2 hours lecturing on agricultural production, CSA's, and direct marketing.
- Spend 2 hours giving a plant walk which includes tree, weed, flower, and sometimes insect identification and interesting facts.
- Spend 2 hours giving farm tour to attendees.

Food Preservation Workshop

2004 – Present

- Hosted event at Long Hungry Creek Farm since 2004.
- Help to plan and organize the event so that participants can enjoy their time while also learning as much about agriculture and direct marketing and how to store their products as they can during the allotted time.
- Spend 2 hours giving farm tours to attendees.

Related Experience

- 70+ appearances on Nashville Public Television as an instructional and educational speaker on gardening and farming topics.
- Lectured at Red Boiling Springs Folk Medicine Festival every June for over ten years.
- Spoke at Cheekwood on gardening in Nashville on February 18, 2016
- Spoke at Ga Organics Conference February 26, 2016.
- Gave workshop on Biodynamic farming at the Organic Grower's School in Asheville, NC on March 11, 12, and 13, 2016.

- Lectured at Mankers Station in Goodlettsville, TN on organic gardening on April 9, 2016.
- Spoke at Cookeville Lawn and Garden Show in Cookeville, TN on March 15, 2015.
- Lectured on biodynamic farming at Nashville's Linden Waldorf School on May 26, 2015.
- Gave workshop on organic gardening to Putnam County on July 20, 2015.
- Lectured at 2014 Cumberland County Master Gardeners Flower Show in Crossville on April 26, 2014.
- Lectured at event called Heritage Days in Goodlettsville, TN on April 12, 2014.
- Lectured at North Presbyterian Church in Cincinnati, OH on March 8, 2014.
- Lectured at the Organic Association of Kentucky's 4th Annual Conference on March 7, 2014.
- Lectured at TN State Fairgrounds at the Lawn and Garden Show on March 2, 2014.
- Hosted an agricultural workshop at Fox Hollow Farm in Kentucky every February for many years.
- Lectured at Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture conference on February 5, 2014.
- Lectured at Nashville Lawn & Garden Show, Tennessee State Fairgrounds, 500 Wedgewood Av., Nashville, TN 37203 every year for over ten years.
- Given gardening lessons at Green Door Gourmet yearly for over two years.
- Consulted with over 50 farmers through our original FMPP grant and continue contact with many. There is a need for follow up with many of those past consultations.
- Gave farm tours to over 300 people through the previous FMPP grant.
- Constantly responding to agricultural and direct marketing questions via phone, email and social media.