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# Organic Growers School



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## Pre-Conference Workshops - Friday, March 11th

Join us for an in-depth, workshop on biodynamics, raising poultry, or medicinal herbs



### ***The Principles of Biodynamics***

An In-depth Study with The Barefoot Farmer

with Special Guest, Jeff Poppen

Friday, March 11, 2016, UNC Asheville

at UNCA \$60 with weekend registration, \$75 without

Register [here](#).

Join the *Barefoot Farmer* for a full day of inspiration as we look deeper into the knowledge of how people grew plants and animals before the advent of industrial agriculture. This workshop will first give a general overview of the basic building block elements of plants and how the biodynamic method ensures healthy plant growth through microbial interaction with the whole farm organism. Biodynamic principles that will focused on include:

remineralization; legumes and cover crops; livestock and composting; and proper loosening of the soil. The second part of this series will take place at Living Web Farms on [July 9th & 10th at Living Web Farms](#), learn more [here](#).

### **10 Medicinal Herbs to Know & Grow**

A Sustainable Apothecary in your Garden & Forest

with Special Guest, Patricia Kiritsi Howell

Friday, March 11, 2016, UNCA

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Plant an apothecary in your garden and learn the practical art of herbal self-reliance! Discover 10 essential herbs that will produce medicine, food, and beauty for you and your family. This in-depth, full day workshop introduces each herb, its historical and current uses, detailed, easy-to-follow guidelines for growing and harvesting, as well as medicine making instructions and recipes for incorporating these herbs into everyday life. Get inspired in your



garden and learn how to grow and use these wonderful herbs from a renowned herbalist.



## Backyard Chickens and Beyond

A Sustainable Apothecary in your Garden & Forest

with Special Guest, Jim Adkins

Friday, March 11, 2016, The Farm, Candler, NC

at The Farm, Candler, NC \$45 with weekend registration, \$60 without

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Are you interested in learning the entire process of breeding, hatching & growing your own chickens? This on-farm workshop will cover everything you need to know including: identify the poultry breed that best suits your farm; learn how to brood, properly feed & grow poultry, basic husbandry, disease control, and also the basics of processing & cooking. Join these sustainable poultry specialists for the A-Z of homesteading, backyard chickens; and you'll be off and running in no time.

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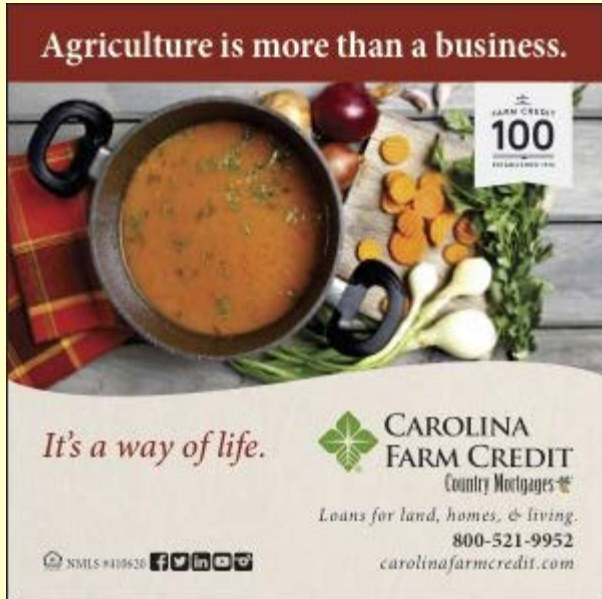
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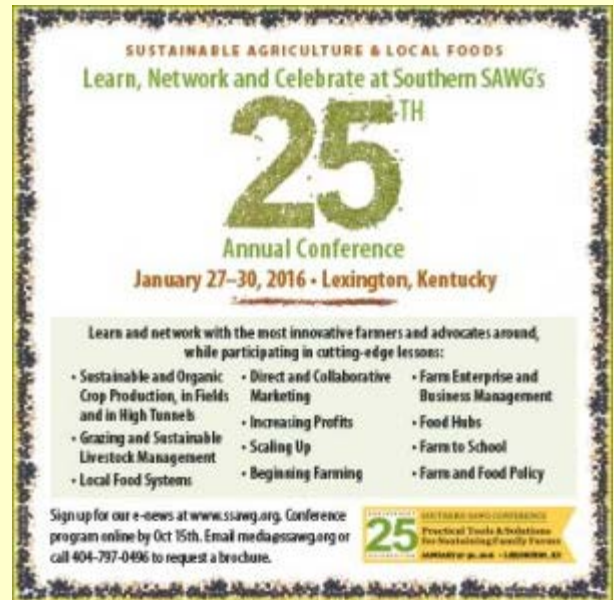
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