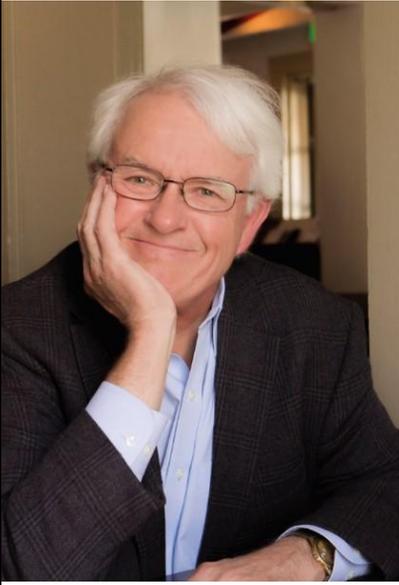


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Speaker		Presentation
	<p>Mark Winne</p> <p>From 1979 to 2003, Mark Winne was the Executive Director of the Hartford Food System, a Connecticut non-profit food organization. He is the co-founder of numerous organizations including the Community Food Security Coalition, the State of Connecticut Food Policy Council, and the City of Santa Fe Food Policy Council. He was a Kellogg Foundation Food and Society Fellow and a member of the U.S. Delegation to the 2000 Rome Conference on Food Security. As a writer on food issues, Mark's work has appeared in the Washington Post, The Nation, Sierra, Orion, and Yes!, to name a few. He is the author of four books: Closing the Food Gap; Food Rebels, Guerrilla Gardeners, and Smart Cookin' Mamas; Stand Together or Starve Alone, and most recently, Food Town USA. Through his own firm, Mark Winne Associates, Mark speaks, trains, and writes on topics related to community food systems, food policy, and food security. He also serves as Senior Advisor to the Center for a Livable Future at the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.</p>	<p>Welcome Address</p>
	<p>Jennifer Visitacion</p> <p>Jennifer Visitacion is a certified leadership & business coach, offering personal and professional development coaching and retreats. Jen is also the founder of Moonstone Ventures- Farm and Retreat Center located in Salida which offers a quaint retreat cottage for farm stays, CSA memberships, farm to table dinners, and special events! For more information or to get involved, visit www. MoonstoneVentures.com.</p>	<p>Cultivating a Creative and Resilient Mindset for Your Agricultural Operation: Creating and sustaining an agricultural business goes beyond your typical business modeling. For most farmers/ranchers- your business is also a way of life. This session will explore developing a creative and resilient mindset, allowing you to take intentional action to create your ideal business and lifestyle and to navigate change.</p>



Martha Sullins

Martha Sullins is an Ag Business Management Specialist with Colorado State University Extension, where her areas of emphasis in applied research and outreach include smaller-scale and specialty livestock and crop production businesses, agritourism, local foods, farm transition, on-farm food safety and risk management. She develops and teaches small business management classes, evaluates classroom and field-based educational programs targeted at beginning farmers and ranchers, and develops tools for ag and food producers navigating food safety and business regulations, as well as those starting value-added agricultural enterprises.

Planting the Seeds for Produce Safety on Your Farm: This presentation will help farmers understand why produce safety is important for their farm businesses and what steps they can take to build and use basic food safety practices. A growing number of buyers expect farmers to know about and practice food safety on their operations, so this knowledge can open new markets.



Harrison Topp

Harrison Topp is the Director of Membership with the Rocky Mountain Farmers Union where he helps build the capacity of volunteer chapters and increase organizational membership. Harrison is also the owner operator of Topp Fruits, a family orchard business growing high altitude, exquisitely pleasurable fruit in Western Colorado. By straddling the worlds of commercial production, advocacy, and community organization, Harrison engages with the full gamut of agriculture to understand its strengths, weakness, threats, and opportunities. He has received awards from Livewell CO, the Mt. Lookout Grange, and National Farmers Union. Harrison Graduated from New York University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Film/TV Production and Anthropology.

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Adrian Reif

Adrian Reif is the founder of Incredible, regenerative design & innovation firm, entrepreneur, and optimist. He believes this is one of the most exciting times to be alive and has committed the next 35 years of his life to helping us reimagine how to survive and thrive on this bountiful, yet finite planet. Adrian previously founded Yumbutter, an award-winning nut butter company and B Corp that also helps feed children with malnutrition with its BuyOne:FeedOne business model. He's also author of The Do-Gooder's Guide to Investing, a book written for people who want to align their money with their values.

Green Investing Panel with a Food Systems Focus: Learn about the vibrant and growing world of green investing, how we can revolutionize the food system, and what you can do to build resiliency locally.

	<p>Joseph Teipel</p>	<p>Joseph was born and raised in Chaffee County before attending college at the University of Denver. Following his graduation from the DU, Teipel founded the non-profit organization, Re:Vision. Joseph is a graduate of the Colorado Agricultural Leadership Program, the Rocky Mountain Farmer's Union fellow program, and the Colorado Non-profit Leadership & Management course, and brings a robust educational background into his endeavors. As members of the United States Peace Corps, Teipel, and his wife, Ashley, served in the Republics of Moldova and Niger. Now, Joseph and Ashley have returned to Buena Vista along with their two children. Joseph is excited to bring his decade+ worth of experience to the valley and to build CCCF into an incredible resource for the community.</p>	<p>Green Investing Panel with a Food Systems Focus: Learn about the vibrant and growing world of green investing, how we can revolutionize the food system, and what you can do to build resiliency locally.</p>
	<p>Woody Tasch</p>	<p>Woody Tasch is the author of <i>Inquiries into the Nature of Slow Money: Investing as if Food, Farms, and Fertility Mattered</i> (Chelsea Green) and <i>SOIL: Notes Towards the Theory and Practice of Nurture Capital</i> (Slow Money Institute). Tasch is former chairman of Investors' Circle, a nonprofit angel network that has facilitated more than \$200 million of investments in over 300 early-stage, sustainability-promoting companies. As treasurer of the Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation in the 1990s, he was a pioneer of mission-related investing. He was founding chairman of the Community Development Venture Capital Alliance. <i>Utne Reader</i> named him "One Of 25 Visionaries Who Are Changing Your World."</p>	<p>Green Investing Panel with a Food Systems Focus: Learn about the vibrant and growing world of green investing, how we can revolutionize the food system, and what you can do to build resiliency locally. KEYNOTE - SOIL: Slow Opportunities for Investing Locally: I will share both the vision that started the national slow money movement, which is now on the threshold of its second decade, and tie it practically to work in Carbondale, Boulder, Durango and a few other locales that have begun using the innovative SOIL model. Since 2010, slow money groups in more than a dozen communities around the country have catalyzed the flow of \$73 million to more than 750 organic farms and small food enterprises. SOIL, based on pioneering efforts in Carbondale and Boulder, makes 0% loans by majority vote of members.</p>



Leah Ricci

Leah is the New Agrarian Program Director at the Quivira Coalition, based in Sante Fe, New Mexico. She has over a decade of experience coordinating and managing nonprofit programs at the intersection of sustainable agriculture, environmental education, and community resiliency. As the New Agrarian Program Director, she leads Quivira's apprenticeship program, which partners with experienced ranchers and farmers to offer immersive, eight-month apprenticeships in regenerative agriculture across the West. Leah graduated from Bowdoin College with a B. A. in Anthropology and Environmental Studies, and developed a passion for experiential education while teaching ecology and science lessons at an outdoor science school in California, leading garden and cooking classes in the Bay Area, and teaching English in northern Chile. Prior to working at Quivira Coalition, she managed California's Market Match program, one of the nation's largest SNAP incentive programs. She helped lead the expansion of the program to over 260 farmers' markets across California, supporting small scale farmers, low-income families, and a stronger local food system in the process. Outside of work, Leah likes to spend time outside on long runs, learning about geology, or whipping up a batch of waffles in her kitchen.

Why Apprenticeships in Agriculture Matter: Hear from both experienced and young agrarians on why apprenticeships in agriculture matter. Quivira Coalition will lead a facilitated discussion between a current mentor and apprentice pair from Quivira's New Agrarian apprenticeship program. Guests will include Becca James and Tarryn Dixon from James Ranch Artisan Cheese, and Barclay Daryani from Indian Ridge Farm.

	<p>Annie & Don Lopez</p>	<p>Annie and Don Lopez have a small seed preservation farm, Seeds to Savor Farm, on the Palmer Divide near Elizabeth, Colorado, where they preserve historically significant heirloom seeds. Annie also hosts the Facebook agritourism group, Agritourism Forum: Farmers Helping Farmers. As a former professional teacher, it was a natural step for Annie to use the farm to teach seed preservation, high country gardening, and farming by hosting visitors who wanted to learn, and Don enjoyed teaching and hosting as well. Annie and Don are farmers, and also adventurers! They have traveled the Western US in their 5th wheel RV, visiting farms and agritourism destinations along the way to help where they could, and to experience and learn from a wide variety of agritourism venues. From their adventures, they created Rollinghamestays.com, a website designed to help farmers and travelers who are interested in supporting agritourism and local farming wherever they go. Both Annie and Don enjoy sharing what they've learned.</p>	<p>Agritourism FAQs: Rollinghamestays is the admin of the largest worldwide agritourism group on Facebook, Agritourism Forum: Farmers Helping Farmers. We have polled our 1.3k group members for their questions re: agritourism. We have used their questions to guide our presentation, and our RHS blog. FAQs: Insurance, Biz Plans, Kid Camps, Hosting the public, Farm markets</p>
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	<p>Stephanie Syson, Biodynamic Botanicals Herb Farm</p>	<p>Stephanie is the Co-Founder of Biodynamic Botanicals, a high altitude medicinal herb farm in Carbondale, CO. She has spent the past two decades with her hands and heart in the dirt growing and using the powerful herbs that create vitality and wellness. Stephanie Syson also has 10 years of experience in the herbal product industry as well as having over 20 years researching and practicing various forms of sustainable farming across the United States and Latin America. She is a Certified Permaculture Designer, an educator in the fields of Greenhouse Management, Seed Saving, and Herbalism. Stephanie lectures across the United States on topics such as Permaculture, Public Food Forests, Seed Saving Libraries, and Culinary and Medicinal Herb Growing. She works with groups of all ages through classes and workshops through Colorado Mountain College, The Central Rocky Mountain Permaculture Institute and co-hosting the Living Permaculture Show, a monthly radio show on public radio KDNK. Stephanie is committed to community service through education and demonstration of herbal self-care and sustainable farming practices. She founded the Basalt Seed Library and a public food forest in Basalt called the Basalt Food Park.</p>	<p>Growing & Using Medicinal Herbs at Home: This class will highlight over a dozen medicinal herbs that you can and should grow in your home garden or your commercial farm. Herbs bring health and diversity to your body and your landscape. Learn cultivation methods as well as a few basic products you can make right at home! Grow your own vitamins, minerals and medicines.</p>
	<p>Denise Ackert</p>	<p>Denise Ackert, BA is a wellness educator and gardening aficionado. She currently teaches mindfulness, yoga and Ayurvedic Lifestyle practices. She has a BA in Environmental Science from Western Washington University with a focus on Personal and Planetary Health. Denise's love of natural systems led her to the study of Permaculture in 1987 at the Aprovecho Institute, a community steeped in Permaculture ways of living. She received her Permaculture Design Certification in 1990 and her Permaculture Teacher Training Certification in 2010 from High Altitude Permaculture.</p>	<p>Self-Care Activity Break: Yoga for Farmers</p>