



Northeast Organic Farming Association
37th Annual Summer Conference with Northeast Animal-Power Field Days
August 12-14, 2011
University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA
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Transition Towns Track at the NOFA Summer Conference

Learn about the Transition Towns Organizing Model and many other topics related to organic agriculture and ecological sustainability at the 2011 NOFA Summer Conference. For a 6 minute video interview with Tina Clarke one of the presenters in the Transition Towns Track, discussing what the Transition Towns approach is, [click here](#).

Find a complete listing of over 225+ exciting workshops on organic farming, gardening and land care, draft animal-power, homesteading, nutrition, spirituality, food politics, activism, and much, much more at this web page: <http://www.nofasummerconference.org/workshops.php>

The conference features presenters from all over the Northeast, nearly 100 exhibitors, workshops and activities for teens and children, an afternoon fair with farm animals, live music and dances, an auction, and an ALL-LOCAL dinner. Stay on campus in the dorms or camp in a tent under the stars.

Keynote Speakers: **Eric Toensmeier**, award-winning author promoting food forestry to sequester carbon worldwide and **Ignacio Chapela**, scientist and activist on GMOs, agri-fuels, and the global food crisis.

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*** Registrations received before July 11, 2011 get a \$20 discount.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 8-9:30 AM

58) Community Resilience in Changing Times **TT Track** *Beginner*
Campus Center 174-76

Tina Clarke: Certified Transition Trainer. NGO consultant, trainer & advocate for 27 years.

Strengthening your local community increases well-being and security. As energy costs rise and climate instability increases, building local resilience is a way to take positive action and have more fun! The Transition movement is an inspiring, global network of communities sharing insights, ideas and models for practical action.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 10-11:30 AM

92) Food Resilience in Small Towns & Rural Areas **TT Track** *Beginner*
Campus Center 805-09

Shay Cooper: Transition Wendell Initiating Group, yoga instructor, member of Baha'i Faith.

Liz Carter: Local Food Coordinator, Wendell, MA.

Marcelle Morgan: Participant in Conway Cans.

Community-organized food growing, sharing, preserving and related activities can rebuild local resilience and food security. Transition Initiatives in Wendell and Conway use food activities to bring together long-time residents and new neighbors. Hear about Wendell's Food Security project, "Conway Cans", and local efforts to expand the



supply of and access to food and farmland.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 1-2:30 PM

121) Community Resilience in Neighborhoods **TT Track** *Beginner*

Campus Center 805-09

Molly Hale: Transition Northampton Initiating Group, Instructor at Greenfield Community College and Wildlife Habitat Consultant.

Keith Zaltzberg: Permaculture designer & Transition Greenfield enthusiast.

Tina Clarke: Certified Transition Trainer, Environmental Advocate & Community Consultant.

How can city neighborhoods become more resilient? Local Transition organizers will share approaches to strengthening connections with nearby neighbors. We'll explore experiences and ideas for getting to know neighbors and developing mutual support. Come share yours and hear stories from Transition Initiatives in the U.S., Canada, and worldwide.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 8-9:30 AM

166) Transition to Resilience – a Global Movement **TT Track** *Beginner*

Campus Center 174-76

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In just a few years, thousands of Transition Initiatives are popping up across the world. Founded by a permaculture teacher and drawing insights from many walks of life, the combination of tools and resources have made this model highly effective in helping people come together to build local resilience.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 10-11:30 AM

178) Bringing the Community Together to Transition **TT Track** *Beginner*

Campus Center 805-09

Judy Phillips: Retired physical education teacher, Buddhist web site manager.

Walter Jaworski: Veterinarian, college professor.

Emily Koester: Social worker, activist, early childhood educator, mom.

To build resilience we need to get people together across social, economic and historic divisions. How do Transition Initiatives include and invite the broad community? Members of the Transition Northfield Initiating Group will share their experiences engaging over 230 community members, and a very wide range of local groups.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 1-2:30 PM

216) Personal Resilience through Sustainable Work **TT Track** *Beginner*

Campus Center 805-09

Pepper Fournier: Taproot Commons Farm – a Raw Milk Micro-Dairy and permaculture-oriented homestead.

Bick Corsa: Bick Corsa Carpentry: super-efficient construction; green building teaching & consulting.

How do we make a living in a world that is rapidly changing, economically and environmentally? What kinds of work are truly sustainable? Three people involved in Transition will explore personal resilience and creating a good life in a world of higher oil prices and climate impacts.