

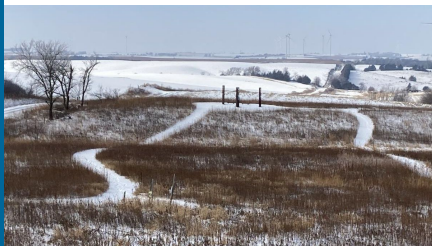
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## dates to know

Jan. 21 Online Cooking Class  
Jan. 27 Online Cooking Class  
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## get out!



What's trending right now? Going outside! Sites such as [1000 Hours Outside](#) are challenging folks to match outdoor time with screen time--even during the winter. If you're feeling adventuresome, the Country Life Center is a great option to connect with nature. The parking lot and sidewalks are cleared after snowfall, but the walking trail is left untouched for spotting animal tracks.

## shared kitchen



Managed by WCI, the Mickle Center Shared Use Kitchen offers affordable commercial kitchen

## thank you for your support

As we look forward to new opportunities in 2021, we acknowledge all of the missed gatherings and other challenges in 2020. Thank you for all of your participation and support as we begin a new year.

## hiring a farm programs manager



WCI is looking for a full-time **Farm Programs Manager!** This person will manage WCI's 12 acres of tillable land and orchard at the Country Life Center for fruit, veggie & herb production for use by two kitchens, create/participate in educational programming, and build/expand partnerships. Visit our website for [the full description & application.](#)

## new online cooking classes



**New classes for the new year!** Chef Katie's got 3 online classes this month for you:  
**Winter Sweets: Thursday, Jan. 21**  
**Pizza Party #1: Wednesday, Jan. 27**  
**Pizza Party #2: Thursday, Jan. 28**  
Gather the ingredients & tools in your own kitchen and work alongside as she demonstrates via Zoom. Classes begin at 5:30 pm and last 2 hours. [Register.](#)

## private cooking classes

space. For more info, contact [Mary](#) or call her at 515.282.4715.

### COVID response

WCI has canceled all **indoor** public events until our facilities can be safely opened. Staff are available by phone and email (here is our [staff directory](#)).

### easy to give



Like many nonprofits and small businesses right now, WCI needs support more than ever. Use our easy and secure [Donate](#) page to give a one-time gift or on a monthly or annual basis.



Missing your co-workers, card club or book group? Get everyone together via Zoom for a private cooking class with Chef Katie! Choose a class that fits your interests, gather ingredients in each person's own kitchen and cook alongside Katie as she demonstrates. Each class is 90 minutes. Class size limited to 20. [Contact Katie](#) for more details.

### Valentine specials



We've got some Valentine's Day options that will make the day special for your certain someone!

#### Valentine's Dinner for Two Online Cooking Class:

February 11, 5:30 - 7:30 pm, \$100 a couple  
*Pan Seared Mangalitsa Pork Steak*  
*Roasted Brussels Sprouts, Garlic Mushrooms*  
*& Crispy Twice Baked Potatoes*  
*Dark Chocolate Raspberry Torte*

Katie will have all of the ingredients assembled in a kit. Pick up your kit Wednesday 4-6 pm or Thursday 1-4:30pm or by arrangement. Then cook alongside your partner as Katie demonstrates via Zoom. *Limit 15 couples.* [Register.](#)

#### Valentine's Day Baskets:

Katie and Hans are working on some new Abundance products for Lisa to package in special Valentine's Day Baskets. Keep an eye on your email for details.

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