

2021 WYOMING

# Specialty Crops

DIRECTORY



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# Welcome

## A NOTE FROM THE COORDINATOR

On behalf of University of Wyoming Extension, I am pleased to present the *2021 Wyoming Specialty Crop Directory*. UW Extension is a community development organization dedicated to helping Wyoming's people and its communities improve the quality of life, and encouraging residents and visitors to buy locally produced foods is an important part of creating a more robust food system and economy.

Our enthusiasm for developing and promoting the food system is shared by our project funders. Grant funding for this effort came from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service through funds provided to the Wyoming Department of Agriculture's Specialty Crop Block Grant Program.

With these funds we created this directory to help connect people in Wyoming with edible specialty crops, including fresh vegetables and fruits, culinary herbs and spices, honey, and homemade goods containing specialty crops such as jams, jellies, barbecue and hot sauces, salsas, pickled and fermented vegetables, fruit pies, and wine. We also hope that farmers and others who produce food will use this directory to connect with their peers as they develop their skills and personal connections.

In short, we hope that this directory:

- Helps residents and visitors find and support Wyoming's local food producers.
- Connects food entrepreneurs with like-minded peers.
- Helps educate producers and others about available resources on a local, state, and national level.

### Thank you!

The information in this directory was collected by Robert Waggener, who worked tirelessly to support Wyoming's agriculture, specialty crop producers, farmers' markets, CSAs, businesses that sell locally produced foods, and many others, including UW Extension offices, local conservation districts, community and school gardens, educational programs, and agencies that are involved in some way with specialty crops.

Please enjoy this opportunity to support the local food movement.

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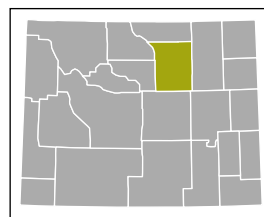
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# Johnson

C O U N T Y



## **Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns Gardening Program**

*Members of the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns in Buffalo, along with BGCBH youth development staff members, learn about horticulture and growing vegetables, fruits, herbs, and flowers, including pollinators.*

*They are involved in a variety of hands-on gardening activities, including planting seeds in the spring, caring for plants throughout the growing season, and harvesting produce. Assisting with the program is Amanda Hulet, district clerk and education coordinator for the Clear Creek Conservation District.*

*The gardening program is one of nearly 30 programs that BGCBH offers to local youths in grades kindergarten through 12.*

**Director of operations:** Scott Musselman

**Location:** Buffalo

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**Phone:** 307-684-9908

**Website:** [www.bgccw.org/our-clubs/bighorns/](http://www.bgccw.org/our-clubs/bighorns/)



### **Buffalo Community Garden**

Residents of Buffalo and northern Johnson County can rent space in the community garden at the Johnson County Fairgrounds, which consists of traditional ground plots and raised beds. Organizers are also planning to build a geodome season-extension structure in summer 2021.

Residents are able to use produce for their own purposes, and they can also donate produce to others, including Bread of Life Food Pantry in Buffalo.

**Manager:** Amanda Hulet, district clerk and education coordinator for the Clear Creek Conservation District, assisted by volunteers

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** amanda.hulet@clearcreekcd.org

**Facebook:** Buffalo Community Garden Wyoming

**Phone:** 307-620-3021

**Website:** www.clearcreekcd.org/

### **Buffalo Community Orchard**

In June 2021, a number of organizations, agencies, businesses, and individuals started the Buffalo Community Orchard on a vacant lot adjacent to the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns. The lot is owned by Johnson County School District 1.

The initial planting consisted of 14 trees, including apple, pear, plum, apricot, and peach; and a variety of shrubs, including blueberry, grape, and raspberry. The goal will be for community use and education, including workshops on horticulture, caring for fruit trees and shrubs, pruning, etc. Additional fruit trees and shrubs will be planted in the coming years, and plans are being made for a community garden at the site.

**Partners:** Bread of Life Food Pantry, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns, Johnson County School District 1, Town and Country Garden Club, Wyoming State Forestry Division, and others

**Bread of Life Food Pantry president and certified arborist:** Kelly Norris; BLFP outreach coordinator and certified arborist: DJ Puente; Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns director: Scott Musselman; assisted by many volunteers

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** breadoflifebuffalowyo@gmail.com

**facebook.com/BreadOfLifeBuffalo/**

**Phone:** 307-620-0631

**Website:** www.breadoflifebuffalo.com/

### **Buffalo Farmers' Market**

*Offers fresh vegetables, herbs, and fruits; locally produced honey; farm-fresh eggs; a variety of baked goods, including breads, cinnamon rolls, and pies; homemade canned goods, including jams, jellies, and pickled items, including garlic, beets, and asparagus; meat products, including beef, pork, and lamb; essential oils; homemade soaps; craft items; and other goods*

**Manager:** Buffalo Chamber of Commerce; chamber director: Meseret Tegenu

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** info@buffalowyo.com

**Phone:** 307-684-5544

**Website:** www.buffalowyo.com/

### **Buffalo Gardens**

*Offers vegetable, herb, and fruit starts; vegetable and herb seeds; seed potatoes and onion sets; potted rhubarb and strawberry plants; a variety of shrubs and trees, including berries and fruits; annual and perennial flowers; and a variety of garden products and yard ornaments*

**Owners:** Reena and Dave Veit

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** rveit@msn.com

**Facebook:** Buffalo Gardens Wyoming

**Phone:** 307-684-2006

**Website:** Buffalo Gardens Wyoming

### **Buffalo High School Horticulture Class**

*Students in the Buffalo High School horticulture and plant science classes learn many aspects of horticulture during classroom discussions, and they get hands-on experience growing vegetables, herbs, fruits, and flowers in an 18' x 36' greenhouse at the school.*

*The greenhouse can be kept warm during winter months with propane heaters and fans, and when funding is available to operate the heaters students will begin growing produce and flower starts in late winter and early spring. Growing continues until fall.*



Students are also growing a variety of potatoes and herbs for the school's culinary classes, and students in those classes make French fries, trying various recipes of toppings using fresh herbs.

Ag teacher Taylor Rieniets is trying to secure grant funding to purchase low tunnels and grow lights to facilitate growing operations during winter and early spring. Another goal is to expand the floriculture program, and begin growing cut flowers for May baskets.

**Agriculture teacher:** Taylor Rieniets

**Location:** Buffalo High School

**Email:** trieniets@jcsd1.us

**Phone:** 307-684-2269

### **Bunkhouse Bakery**

Sells homemade baked goods, including breads, pies, donuts, cookies, pretzels, and special-order items; and homemade canned goods, including jams, jellies, salsas, pickled items, and relishes through direct sales and at the Kaycee Market Night.

In 2021, the Faubers purchased property in Kaycee for a new bakery to expand their growing business.

**Owners:** Virginia and Rob Fauber

**Location:** Kaycee

**Email:** vfowler28@gmail.com

**Phone:** 775-426-8989 (Virginia) or 307-267-0177 (Rob)

### **Clear Creek Conservation District**

Offers cost-share seedling and larger, conservation-grade trees and shrubs, including fruit and berry varieties for conservation plantings, and also offers technical assistance including species selection and planting advice, free of charge; helps landowners conserve natural

resources, improve wildlife habitat, and manage pests; offers natural resource education; and has a number of other conservation-related programs. The district is assisting with the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Bighorns Gardening Program (see listing above).

**District manager:** Zach Byram; district clerk and education coordinator: Amanda Hulet; along with an elected volunteer board of supervisors

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** zach.byram@clearcreekcd.org or amanda.hulet@clearcreekcd.org

**Facebook:** Clear Creek Conservation District

**Phone:** 307-620-3021

**Website:** www.clearcreekcd.org/

### **DJ's Grocery & Variety**

Sells locally produced foods when possible, including fresh produce from Papa Joe's Produce; honey from Stingers; sauces and jellies from Wahoo Toppings; sauces, marinades, and mustards from Wyoming Sauce Co.; and coffee from WYO Buckin' Beans

**Owner:** Kelly Holiday; store manager: Amy Holiday; produce manager: Zach Holiday

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** djsthiftway@yahoo.com

**Phone:** 307-684-2518

**Website:** https://djsgrocery.com/

### **Frani's Jelly and Syrup**

Sells homemade chokecherry, grape, wild plum, and hot pepper jellies; and chokecherry syrup at Wyoming IN Color in Buffalo

**Owner:** Frani Morris

**Location:** Dayton

**Email:** moe.frani@yahoo.com

**Phone:** 307-763-0197

### **Garlic Queen**

Sells home-canned pickled items, including garlic in a variety of flavors (Thai chili, teriyaki, Italian, hot Italian, tamari ginger, and dill), beets, jalapeños, and asparagus; home-canned sauerkraut; and homemade caramel topping at the Buffalo Farmers' Market, Buffalo KOA, Corner Stone Pharmacy, and Sagewood Gifts & Cafe, and also through direct sales

**Owner:** Liz Weber

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** lizweber323@gmail.com

**Phone:** 320-405-8204

**Website:** http://wyogarlicqueen.com/

## GK Meat & Produce

*Sells ranch-raised beef, lamb, and pork under the Grass King name; farm-fresh eggs; in-season locally produced vegetables and fruits; and in-season regionally sourced sweet corn, peaches, pears, cherries, and melons from mid-June to mid-September in Kaycee (5–6:30 p.m. Tuesdays on Nolan Avenue) and Buffalo (4–6 p.m. Wednesdays at Ace Hardware on East Hart Street).*

*Also sells beef, lamb, pork, and eggs year-round through direct sales from the ranch; beef, lamb, and pork at Hat Six Travel Plaza in Evansville; and lamb at the Downtown Gillette Farmers Market.*

**Owners:** Karen and Jim Zezas

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** grasskingcattle@gmail.com

**facebook.com/grasskingcattle/**

**Phone:** 307-620-0146 (Karen) or 307-620-0145 (Jim)

## Golden Rule Produce

*Offers fresh vegetables, herbs, and fruits through direct sales from the ranch east of Buffalo, and also sells vegetables and herbs to local restaurants (produce is available April through October; check the facebook page for updates)*

**Owner:** Chanda Rule

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** chanda@vcn.com

**facebook.com/chanda.ewingrule**

**Phone:** 307-684-9167

## Kaycee Market Night

*Vendors from Johnson County and surrounding areas offer fresh produce; honey; homemade baked goods, including breads and pies; homemade canned goods, including jams, jellies, and pickled items; farm-fresh eggs; meat products, including beef, lamb, and pork; ready-to-eat foods from local food vendors; and a variety of arts and crafts. There is a variety of entertainment, including live music by local musicians.*

**Market manager:** Audrey Davis

**Location:** Kaycee (every third Tuesday from 5 to 7 p.m., mid-June through mid-August)

**Facebook:** Kaycee Market Night

**Phone:** 307-247-5861

## Kathryn's Creations

*Sells homemade chokecherry and strawberry rhubarb jams and jellies; and handcrafted woven rugs, table runners, potholders, dish rags, and baby and adult quilts at the Buffalo Farmers' Market, markets in Sheridan and Gillette, and craft fairs in Buffalo, Newcastle, Gillette, Sheridan, and Story*



**Owner:** Kathryn Moore

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** kathrynmooore49@gmail.com

**Phone:** 307-272-6835

## Lloyd Craft Farms

*Offers a wide variety of fresh vegetables, some herbs, and strawberries and melons through its CSA program centered in Worland with outreaches in Buffalo and other locations in central and northern Wyoming*

**Owners:** Terri and Lloyd Craft

**Location:** Worland

**Email:** craftterri@rtconnect.net

**facebook.com/lloydcraftfarms/**

**instagram.com/lloydcraftfarms/**

**Phone:** 307-431-1219

**Website:** <https://lloydcraftfarms.com/>

## Lynn's Superfoods

*Sells locally produced foods when possible, including honey from Stingers Honey, a variety of sauces and jams from Wahoo Toppings, in addition to breads, eggs, and Hereford beef*

**Store manager:** Lincoln Feist; assistant manager: Mike Verdone

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** buffalo@lynnsdakotamart.com

**facebook.com/lynnssuperfoods/**

**Phone:** 307-684-2239

**Website:** [www.reeseandrays-iga.com/](http://www.reeseandrays-iga.com/)

### **Middle Fork Honey**

*Sells locally produced raw honey through direct sales and at the Kaycee Market Night*

**Owners:** Cyndi and Justin Robinson

**Location:** Kaycee

**Email:** justinr@rtconnect.net

**Phone:** 307-738-2240

### **North Fork Beef**

*Sells all-natural, family raised beef through direct sales and at the Landon's Farmers Market in Sheridan, and in-season fresh produce through direct sales*

**Owners:** Amanda Hulet and her father, Joe Foss

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** hulet2001@gmail.com

**facebook.com:** NorthForkBeef/

**Phone:** 307-620-2898

**Website:** <https://northforkbeef.com/>

### **Papa Joe's Produce**

*Offers hydroponically grown lettuces and other greens, kale, Swiss chard, peppers, tomatoes, cucumbers, strawberries, and herbs year-round at DJ Grocery & Variety in Buffalo*

**Owners:** Joe Wesnitzer, Carol Sims, Adam Bunker, and Amanda Bunker

**Location:** Sheridan

**Email:** papajoesproduce@gmail.com

**facebook.com:** papajoesproduce/

**Phone:** 307-763-8248 (Joe Wesnitzer) or 307-751-7422 (Adam Bunker)

**Website:** <https://papajoesproduce.com/>

### **Pond View Farms**

*Sells lettuce, microgreens, basil, and other produce at Landon's Farmers Market in Sheridan, and is developing a web-based sales business that will offer local delivery*

**Owner:** Tonia Hanson

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** contact@pondviewproduce.com

**Phone:** 307-217-1553

**Website:** <https://pondviewproduce.com/>

### **Powder River Conservation District**

*Offers seedling and conservation-grade trees and shrubs at nominal costs, including fruit and berry varieties, and also offers technical assistance including species selection and planting advice, free of charge; has drip-irrigation supplies, rain barrels, composters, and weed barriers available for purchase; helps landowners conserve natural resources, improve wildlife habitat,*

*and manage pests; offers natural resource education and a wide variety of programs for youths, including horticulture, adopt-a-tree, ecology camp, wildlife habitat improvements; and has a number of other conservation-related programs*

**District manager:** Anita Bartlett; along with an elected volunteer board of supervisors

**Location:** Kaycee

**Email:** anita.bartlett@wy.nacdn.net

**Facebook:** Powder River Conservation District

**Phone:** 307-738-2321

**Website:** [www.powderrivercd.org/](http://www.powderrivercd.org/)

### **Sagewood Gifts & Cafe**

*Sells locally produced foods when possible, including canned goods from the Garlic Queen, honey from Stingers, and sauces and jellies from Wahoo Toppings (see listings for those businesses elsewhere in this section). The owner of Sagewood would like to offer other locally made products, so interested entrepreneurs should contact the business.*

**Owner:** Margaret Fraley

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** sagewood@vcn.com

**Phone:** 307-684-7670

**Website:** [www.sagewoodcafe.com/](http://www.sagewoodcafe.com/)



### **Stingers Honey**

*Sells locally produced raw and processed pure honey at the Buffalo Farmers' Market; at a number of businesses in Buffalo, among them Big Horn Co-op, The Busy Bee Cafe, Deer Park RV Park & Campground, DJ's Grocery & Variety, Lynn's Superfoods, and Sagewood Gifts & Cafe; and through direct sales.*

*"We've had a loyal customer base who has been with Stingers for longer than I've been with the company, and that's been about 20 years," says co-owner Jed Peters.*

**Owners:** Kim and John Peters, and son Jed

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** jedipeters@live.com

**Facebook:** Stingers honey Buffalo Wyoming

**Phone:** 307-217-1790 or 307-217-2882

### **Town and Country Garden Club**

*Founded in 1956, the Town and Country Garden Club works to beautify Buffalo by helping to promote and educate residents about gardening, including plants that do well in the local environment, including flowers, vegetables, herbs, and fruits. The TCGC holds regular meetings in which club members and guest speakers offer educational programs on gardening and other topics of interest, and the club also hosts tours to local gardens.*

*Each May or June, the TCGC conducts a plant sale, offering vegetable and herb starts, tomato cages, annual and perennial flowers, trees, and other garden-related items. This is the club's largest fund-raising activity, and proceeds are used to plant trees and flowers (including pollinators) in Buffalo, purchase garden-related books for the Johnson County Library, and financially support local charities and civic organizations. The club is a member of the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce.*

**Officers:** president, vice president, and other officers are elected annually, and they are assisted by club members; club contact: Marsha Christian

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** marshac971@gmail.com

**facebook.com/townandcountrygardenclub/**

**Phone:** 307-620-1988

### **The Tree Farm**

*Offers a variety of larger-sized trees and shrubs, including fruit and berry varieties*

**Owner:** Garrett Dotson

**Location:** Buffalo

**Email:** office@treemechanicsllc.com

**facebook.com/treefarm307/**

**Phone:** 307-217-2899

### **University of Wyoming Extension, Johnson County office**

*Provides workshops and classes based on community needs and interests; oversees 4-H club programs; provides youth development in a variety of areas, including STEM, livestock production, record-keeping, outdoor recreation, home and health sciences, crafts, food, and nutrition; conducts property visits to help home and landowners with questions relating to a variety of plant issues, including diseases and pests; helps area landowners, agencies, and others improve rangelands and manage invasive grasses; offers pesticide training; manages the Cent\$ible Nutrition Program (CNP), teaching individuals and families with limited resources to get the most for their food dollars and health; and offers help with pressure cookers*

**Program contacts:** Bryce McKenzie (4-H & youth development, and county coordinator), and Donna Nelson (office manager); area educators serving Johnson County are Lori Dickinson (CNP), Vicki Hayman (nutrition and food safety), and Michelle Vigil (community development)

**Location:** Buffalo

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**Phone:** 307-684-7522

**Website:** <https://wyoextension.org/johnsoncounty/>

### **Yoder's Country Market**

*Three families opened a new Amish store near Buffalo in 2020, offering a wide variety of hand-grown and homemade foods, including in-season produce; baked goods; canned fruits, vegetables, pickles, jams, and jellies; butter; raw milk; and candies. They also sell sorghum from Missouri and maple syrup from Wisconsin.*

*"We offer homemade donuts on Saturdays, using recipes that have been handed down within the Yoder family for generations," Daniel Yoder says. "The donuts are a big hit; people tell us they have never had a donut like the ones we make."*

*The store also carries a variety of items handcrafted by members of the three families or their Amish relatives on the East Coast, including birdhouses and feeders, youth and adult clothing, quilts, rugs, pot holders, cutting boards, indoor and outdoor furniture, and home decorations.*

*Yoder's Country Market is open Mondays through Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.*

**Owners:** Daniel and Anna Yoder, along with other members of their family

**Location:** south of Buffalo (369 Trabling Road)

**Phone:** 307-217-9737