

# Stafford Open Farm & Homestead Day!!!

A self-drive tour of some of Stafford's hidden gems,  
welcoming visitors to their farms & homesteads...

Saturday, July 8th 1-6pm (Rain Date: Sun. July 9th)

Sponsored by the Stafford Agricultural Commission

## Aisling Farm

Cultivating Delight... since 2001!

424 Old Springfield Rd. West Stafford

Houlihan/DiSisto Family

FB/IG- @AislingFarmCT [AislingFarmCT.com](http://AislingFarmCT.com)

\*Organically-grown Lavender, Herbs & Cut-flowers

\*Lavender field will be open for "Pick-your-own! (Fee)

\*Craft area for threshing dried lavender and making your own lavender sachet (Complimentary)

\*Farm-stand will be open- with fresh & dried lavender, fresh flower bouquets & herbs

\*Guest vendor- Wild & Free Apothecary- Herbal products -

\*Animals/livestock- Chickens & "Haydenville" pastured pigs (pigs are a distance from main gardens) Please consider your footwear for walking through wooded area/pasture- and use caution around the bee hives.

\*Walk-in cooler using "Cool Bot" technology available to view

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome! Lots of vintage tractors, trucks & farm equipment on the grounds. Lots of photo-ops!

**Parking:** Please pull off of Old Spfld Road & into parking area in front of roses/lavender field- if full, you will be directed to a back orchard.

**Public Restroom:** Yes

## Cobra's Homestead

152 Chestnut Hill Rd. (Rte. 190) West Stafford  
Shane London

[http://www.instagram.com/cobras\\_homestead](http://www.instagram.com/cobras_homestead)

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\*Producing eggs, meat chickens, pigs/pork, veggies & fruit. `Canning, dehydrating, curing and smoking of meats.

\*Animals/Livestock: Chickens, ducks, goat, pigs, maybe even a Tom turkey!

\*Self-guided tour with "Staff Helpers on-site" in all areas, display of chicken processing, and equipment needed. Demo of smoking meat 'Pork" and the process to smoke/cure meats, eggs, etc. All set-up with talks about preserving foos, ie., pressure & water bath canning, dehydrating, samples shown. Tractor and types of equipment needed and used on a homestead, U-pick rhubarb if still available. "Hives for Heroes" banner and Bee-hive set up.

\*Table set up with eggs, as they last, woodworking products, specialty products made on the property for sale.

\*About us: Homestead started two years ago, and still in process & building infrastructure!

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** In driveway, and in yard, private home-please respect.

**Public Restroom:** No

## Down To Earth CSA

5 Michelec Rd. Stafford

Community Supported Agriculture

[getdowntoearthcsa.org](http://getdowntoearthcsa.org)

\*Producing seasonal vegetables for member "Shares"

\*Animals/livestock: Cows

\*Farm Tour

\*About us: Down to Earth CSA has been in operation for 16 years. The only local CSA run by its members!

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** There is street-side parking. Please don't park in house driveway.**Public Restroom:** No

## Foxhill Farm

189 Rocky Dundee Rd. West Stafford  
Kevin & Shannon Milbier

FB:@foxhillfarm

\*Producing chicken & duck eggs

\*Animals/livestock: Goats, chickens, ducks, turkeys, a bunny, cats & dogs  
(Cows will be at another farm to be bred)

\*Activities: Paint your own farm animal, treats for animals, animal petting allowed!

\*Eggs for sale

\*About us: We are a new farm starting out, things aren't as far along as we hoped, but we are proud of everything we have started thus far. We are from the Springfield area (Wilbraham & East Longmeadow)

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** Visitors are allowed to park anywhere in the driveway

**Public Restroom:** No

## k.O.s. Homestead

201 Old Springfield Rd. West Stafford  
Dan Lemik & Kate Laurence

Email- 201oldspringfield@gmail.com IG:@k.o.s.life

\*We are a non-consumer producing homestead with goats, chickens, geese, fruit trees and vegetables

\*Petting zoo will be available to feed goats and baby chicks with photo ops available

\*Small Stand with chicken eggs, jam & shop soap

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** Park along road

**Public Restroom:** No

## LaCasse Family Farm

219 Leonard Rd. Stafford

Samantha, Moe, Roman & Sydney LaCasse

FB:@lacassefamilyfarm

\*Animals/livestock- Brown Swiss Steer, Rex Rabbits & Pygora Goats

\*About us: We raise cattle, rabbits & poultry as our main source of food on our farm, and Pygora goats for fiber. Our homestead is another way we are teaching our children about food and where it comes from.

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** On the right side of the driveway on the grass

**Public Restroom:** No

## Pighettis' Twin Oaks Vineyard

354 Old Springfield Rd. West Stafford

Steve & Cindi Pighetti

Email: spighetti63@gmail.com cpighetti@cox.net

\*Tour of vineyard and wine-making demonstration

\*Six varieties of grapes & vegetable gardens

\*Handout will include information about each variety of grape grown

\*About us: Steve has a horticultural background - educationally as well as having previously owned a nursery in Whately, MA. We purchased this property 7 years ago with the intention of having a small vineyard and where it would take us. The plan is to market the vineyard to the do-it-yourself winemaker - whether one wants to purchase the grapes or the juice. The property is available for event hosting.

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** In Driveway/ Parking area

**Public Restroom:** No

## Mon Soleil Market Garden & CSA

558 Buckley Hwy, Union (Rte.190)

Deborah Winicki

FB/IG:@MonSoleilCT [MonSoleilCT.com](http://MonSoleilCT.com)

\*Community Supported Agriculture

\*Farm Tour

\*Farm Stand- Will be open with seasonal produce, including salad greens & snow peas

\*About us: Mon Soleil grows in Staffordville & Union, CT. We are happy to give tours of our gardens in Union, and answer questions about high density, poly-culture, no-till growing techniques. These practices can be scaled down to a homestead scale, or scaled up to a larger Market Garden.

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:** Along the left side of driveway, next to the front gardens

**Public Restroom:** No

\*SATURDAY ONLY 4-7PM\*

## Stafford Farmers Market at Sun Valley

51 Old Springfield Rd. West Stafford

Market Manager: Jessica Carr

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\*Weekly seasonal market at the entrance to Sun Valley Beach Club featuring local farms, food & artisan vendors & live music  
Products available: Beef, chicken, eggs, syrup, honey, flowers, Alpaca products, fresh vegetables and jams

\*Photographers/Artists Welcome!

**Parking:**Four Seasons Restaurant parking lot

**Public Restrooms-** Yes, in the Four Seasons Restaurant\*

PLEASE NOTE: Should we have to resort to the "Rain Date" of Sunday, July 9th- the market will not be open.