

# NEWS RELEASE

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## **GRAND OPENING of the Southeast Minnesota Food Network's Distribution Center**

**June 12, 2008 5-8 PM  
55 East Main St., Elgin, MN 55932**

*Open House featuring Local Flavors Tasting from 6-8 PM*

The Southeast Minnesota Food Network provides local, sustainable farm products to area restaurants, food co-ops and caterers. Representing over 90 family farms from 8 counties in southeast Minnesota, the network supports a healthy future for rural communities and a truly local food source for the community. The Southeast Minnesota Food Network, part of the Heartland Food Network, has been providing Minnesotans with 100% pastured meats, sustainably raised produce and farmstead cheeses for over seven years.

**Join us for an evening of good food grown on the farms of southeast Minnesota.**

**Chefs will prepare a variety of gourmet dishes from vegetables, fruit, meat, cheese, grains and other specialty products grown on local farms for you to sample.**

### **Participating Chefs:**

**Scott Pampuch of Corner Table, Minneapolis  
J.D. Fratzke of the Strip Club, St. Paul  
Marshall Paulsen of the Birchwood Café, Minneapolis  
Chris Stevens of Blackbird, Minneapolis  
David Jones of the Marsh, Minnetonka  
Sean Jones of St. Paul College  
Ron Huff of Slow Food Minnesota  
Linda Harding of the Kitchen Sage**

Meet the farmers who raise the food and shop for delicious, local meats, cheeses, breads, produce, and specialty products. Tickets for the Local Flavors Tasting \$6.00.

RSVP by June 7<sup>th</sup> at [www.southeastmnfoodnetwork.com](http://www.southeastmnfoodnetwork.com).

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