

**E.A.T. Local**  
*Everyone at the Table*

**November 8, 2006**  
**Albemarle County Building**

The current EAT Local facilitator, Lisa Reeder, led the meeting. Meeting opened with brief introductions from all.

**Progress Reports:**

**•Urban CSA**

- This group has met twice. The group is trying to determine their focus (ex: small gardens in yards, parks or low income neighborhoods). Have talked of holding a seedling day in the spring for interested communities. Also considering partnership with other organizations. Check the list serve for next meeting dates if you would like to join.

**•Local Food Directory**

- The surveys are out to all producers. There is a template that can be used to help format the directory. Everyone should be aware of other producers who might want to be included. For inclusion of Madison county: if the information is collected, it will be available online.

**•100-Mile Thanksgiving**

- This dinner had the largest turnout yet. Also the library party happens mid November and is doing "Very Virginia Thanksgiving," trying to promote local.

**•Food Center Meeting**

- Handout was given to everyone in attendance for consideration and feedback. Highlights include a warehouse space which may include the following:
  1. Booths for local farmers, manned by local farmers one day of the week. Booths will be available only to growers and food producers.
  2. Booths for growers and producers from outside the area who wish to have a retail outlet in the area and for local food retailers who wish to set up shop in addition to their present location.
  3. A concession area for those venders who wish to serve prepared foods.
  4. A general store where goods of any and all venders may be sold.
  5. Additional space may be available to accommodate delivery and pickup for CSA's, free parking, class room and meeting facilities, commercial kitchen for preparing foods and catering.

- This committee is open to suggestions about how to develop a business plan, conduct a market study, and scout available locations and available means.  
**\*A suggestion was made at the meeting to contact Darden Business School for help developing a business plan, if needed.**

- Film Showing: *The Future of Food*

Will be held December 13<sup>th</sup> from 7-9pm at the Albemarle County Building. A \$5 donation suggested to benefit Saving Our Seed.

- New Business

- Group would like to establish backup co-leaders to facilitate meetings
- Group would like to establish regular meeting date/time. Jennifer Bedrosian will poll members.
- **Next meeting:**

**December 13<sup>th</sup> 6:00-6:45 pm  
(Prior to the movie screening)  
Albemarle County Building  
Bring simple snacks to enjoy!**