



ROSALY BASS,
ORGANIC FARMER — PETERBOROUGH, NH

▲▲▲ Rosaly Bass’s strong hands have seen 35 years of working these 16 acres of rocky soil—the oldest certified organic farm in the state. She’ll harvest as much as 10,000 pounds of tomatoes for her farm stand this season, plus kale, cucumbers, squashes, strawberries, raspberries, blueberries, eggplants, flowers, and lots more. And she’ll sell 100 pounds of her mesclun mix a week. It’s gorgeous and tasty, she says, with ‘Red Giant’, arugula, tatsoi, mizuna, and baby lettuces. “Farming is a magical way to make a living,” she smiles. “It’s a way of life.” — A.B.C.

ROSALY’S ORGANIC GARDEN, 25 Elm Hill Road/Route 123.
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THE TULLER FAMILY,
ICE CREAM MAKERS
WEST SIMSBURY, CT

▼▼▼ The Tullers have been working this same land since 1768. Now they’ve taken the venerable “do it simple, do it well” philosophy to their latest crop: gourmet ice cream. Using only real fruit purée and 16 percent butterfat, they mix up more than 50 flavors named matter-of-factly after the ingredients in them (“Red Raspberry with Chocolate Chips” is our favorite).

For seating, the Tullers offer hay bales from their beef-cattle operation. Far from being quaint, it’s a matter of Yankee practicality. How many other restaurants can mulch their chairs and throw them on the vegetable garden? — J.S.

TULMEADOW FARM STORE,
255 Farms Village Road.
860-658-1430; tulmeadowfarmstore.com



DEL CHRISTMAN, DOGMAN — LOWELL, MA

◀◀◀ Dogman starts his howl at 6 p.m. That’s when Del Christman, minor-league baseball’s most recognizable hot-dog guy, puts on his outfit: white shorts, collar, “Hats Off to Dogman!” T-shirt, and finally the hat—always the hat—complete with dog flaps and a Scooby-Doo doll. “Then I go see the fans and start barking,” he says. “I’m like a cartoon character who’s come to life.”

Del is passionate about the Lowell Spinners, the Class A affiliate of the Boston Red Sox. His home? The Dogpound, a wooden shack from which he shouts, “Let’s get ‘em going, baby!” The menu? There’s the Blood Hound (hot dog with ketchup), the Golden Retriever (mustard), and the Mongrel (the works), among others. Truth be told, he’s the most popular person at LeLacheur Park. — Ian Aldrich

LOWELL SPINNERS, LeLacheur Park, 450 Aiken St. 978-459-2255, 978-459-1702 (tickets); lowellspinners.com

