BACKGROUND: For young Wheaton native Nate Sumner, farming was nothing more than a romantic notion from the past. That is, until he inadvertently became part of one of the most developed local food systems in the country while a student at the California Culinary Academy. As a cook in San Francisco, he got to know many modern progressive farmers that grew the highest quality ingredients available. It was then that he realized that it was growing food, not cooking it that was his real calling. After a year at the Green Earth Institute, this bold cook-turned-farmer came to Heritage Prairie Farm in Elburn, IL, a multi-faceted organic farm and events venue, to learn from some of the most innovative small scale farmers in the country. Come and hear Nate’s fascinating story, including the agricultural science of what he learned about French market gardens of the 1600s-1800s, all the while advancing to Farm Manager and then Operations Manager overseeing the farm’s entire food production cycle.

PARKING: Any “W” lot—the one at College & Howard is closest.

College Students & the Public are welcome!

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