

**What:** Justin & Kathleen Batalden Smith

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Justin & Kathleen Batalden Smith, interviewed by Peter Shea and Valentine Cadieux  
Connected to Ryan Batalden and Batalden family...

**Who:**

Part of SW MN collection

**Why:** - interesting for people interested in sustainable farming, rural renaissance, rural development, young people finding employment in rural places

- this is an interesting perspective because these are geographers, were in the Peace Corps in Niger, have a marketing perspective, and because one comes from a five generation farming family and the other comes from outside that perspective.

**How:** - it would be interesting to see how what they say relates to other Bataldens, other people in the area, the Lamberton (U of M Research Outreach Center) station stories  
- young people in rural places might be interested in what it's like to come back, and particularly how coming back was different than when they were there -- people accepted them being more different than they expected