It's filling up! Our signature veggie & fruit subscription program, *PlumFresh*, is online and ready for sign-ups for the 2022 Season! Interested in more information? See details below!



Happy Friday, Farm Friends!

So. Much. Mud.



Yep, that's the current state of things around here. We've gotten about 2.5 inches of rain since Monday, so things are pretty saturated. It's definitely Muck Boot season!

But the good news is that the forecast for next week is looking MUCH better. I can see some planting on the horizon!



Blackberry Pruning Workshop a Success!

Our one break from the rain this week came at an opportune time -- just before the Blackberry Pruning Workshop! We had a great attendance of home growers as well as some commercial growers and extension agents -- at least 4 counties were represented! Thanks to Bryan Hartman, our Stokes County Extension Agent for organizing this event. And don't forget that if you want to learn even more about growing blackberries and raspberries at home, be on the lookout for our in-depth workshop, **Growing the Jewels of the Garden at Home on May 15**. More information will be coming soon!





Palindrome-Palooza!



This past Tuesday was a very special day -- 2-22-2022. Yes, this Super Twosday was a <u>worldwide sensation!</u> Folks flocked to Las Vegas wedding chapels to get married, engagements happened, parents hoped their babies would be born that day, Tutu parties...

But for us, 2-22-2022 had another very special meaning -- it was Gesti's 10th Gotcha Day! Gesti came to us from the Forsyth County Animal Shelter on February 22, 2012. She had been abused and neglected and she always kept her tail down. After a few months here, she held her tail high all the time and was wagging it to beat the band! Our Gesti girl doesn't do well with other animals around the farm (gets too excited) so many of you haven't met her. But she has turned into a perfect house dog and was just what we needed. Thanks for all the love and kisses, Gesti!





Who's YOUR Farmer?



This week is <u>National Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Week</u>, and we are pleased to participate by opening up subscriptions to *PlumFresh*, our spin on a CSA. One of our goals with starting the farm was to help reconnect people with their food. It's so hard to tell anymore where food is grown. Grocery stores will mislabel the place of origin and even many farmers markets allow vendors to resell produce.

With *PlumFresh*, you'll KNOW who your farmers are. That's another goal with this program -- to bring our members out to the farm for special Member-Only events such as Pick-Your-Own, tours and potlucks where they can meet the farmers (and each other).

PlumFresh is our customer-centered approach to CSA. Instead of requiring members to take a uniform box every week and pay for the entire season upfront, PlumFresh members can choose what they want to get in their bag and pay weekly! You can even skip a week if you need.

Registration is now underway, and we are filling up fast -- and we always sell

out! There are SIX pick-up options as well as a new Egg Share! For more information about the program <u>click here</u>. Ready to sign up? Here's the <u>link to register</u> now.

We would LOVE to be your farmer this year!

That's a wrap for this week. Tomorrow is <u>National Carpe Diem Day</u> -- it seems perfectly timed. Life is so very short, so we really need to squeeze what we can out of each one -- even if it's just lazing in the sunshine!

Remember to be kind, love your neighbor and pray for Peace.

Until next week,

Cheryl & Ray