

**Mother's Day is Sunday -- and we have
a Plant Sale! Perfect combo,
huh? Flower plants, Strawberry
Hanging Baskets, Veggies and MORE!**

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Happy Friday, Farm Friends!

Welcome to the Merry Month of May! This is a special month around here...the strawberries are plump, the birds (and their babies) are singing, and we do our own on-farm version of the Kentucky Derby (people, not horses, running as fast as possible to get everything done!)



It's been another week of harvesting, weeding, tending crops -- and more harvesting. Our *PlumFresh* Harvest Subscription Program started this week (actually, last Saturday). Kinda like the first week of school, it takes a while to get systems back in place. But we pulled it off!



We got some great feedback from one of younger *PlumFresh* members after her Wednesday delivery:



She thought the strawberries were pretty tasty! Her mom, Meredith, also sent the cutest video of her diving into the *PlumFresh* bag and immediately grabbing a strawberry and shoving it into her mouth! Here's the proof. We love getting pictures and stories like this!

Taters and Garlic

The potatoes that we planted 3 weeks ago have really taken off. Lots of sprouts in the field -- and the weeds were trying to see if they could sprout faster! Never fear! The Cultivating Cub is Here! Ray hopped on his trusty (rusty?) steed and went in search of those rascally weeds. Take that, mean ol' bermuda grass and sedge!



We've also been making sure that the garlic is getting adequate water during this dry spell. Garlic is now beginning the process of bulbing up and needs moisture. Here's an average-sized Chesnok. Not bad for the beginning of May! We'll be harvesting in mid-June so it still has a lot of growing to do.



Chesnok typically has far more slender stems -- so we are REALLY excited about this!

Tick-Tock -- Last Chance!

Okay -- public service announcement -- Sunday is Mother's Day! Do you have a gift for her yet? Wouldn't a beautiful hanging basket filled with tasty Everbearing Strawberries look nice on her porch? (Ray donned his special bow tie for the delivery!)



Bring Mom to our **Second Chance Plant Sale on Sunday, May 8 from 1-4**. We still have lots of veggies (including tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, squash, cucumbers and cantaloupe plus MORE!), herbs, flowers, along with blackberries, raspberries, -- and these lovely **Strawberry Baskets!**

Let's Learn Something! Brambles and Ginger Workshops

Lots of folks have purchased blackberry, raspberry and ginger plants from us this year (and previously!) -- thank you! If you want to make sure that you have success with your plants and get the most out of them, we have 2 upcoming workshops that are just the ticket.

The first one is focused on brambles -- blackberries, raspberries and black raspberries. "Growing the Jewels of the Garden" is a 2-part workshop. The first one is on **Sunday, May 15 from 2-4:30**. It will focus on the different types of cane fruits as well as the planting, trellising and tending of blackberries and raspberries in the spring and summer. The second session (late summer/early fall date TBD) will help you get your brambles ready for winter and a successful spring. The workshops will be hands-on and will give you the confidence you need to have success with these wonderful fruits. You do not need to participate in both workshops but there is a discount if you do. The cost for both sessions is \$50; the cost for a single session is \$35. [Click here](#) to register.



The second workshop is on growing Ginger. It's been a few years since we have offered this class and there has been a growing (pun intended!) interest in this crop. We've got lots of experience growing this sometimes temperamental rhizome and you can benefit from our trials and errors. This workshop will be

held on **Sunday, May 22 from 2-4** here at the farm and the cost is \$35. [Here is a link](#) to the registration form for this workshop.



Please note that if you register for the workshops, your registration is a commitment to attend. Payment is required before the class. We put a lot of time into preparing for these classes!

That's all the news from the farm for this week! We hope you have a terrific weekend filled with Mother's Day celebrations, graduations, and Derby Day events.

Oh! And keep a lookout for lightning bugs! Saw the first one last night (does that seem early to you?!)

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

**Until next week,
Cheryl & Ray**

