

Happy Friday, Farm Friends!



Don't worry, your computer monitor is okay -- we are just experiencing a VERY dense fog here at the farm this morning. How about at your house?



I can only imagine what it's like up at Fancy Gap. I have very vivid (foggy?!)

memories of trips with my parents "up the mountain" and the super thick fogs. And even now, it seems that nearly every time I've driven through there, it's foggy!

Here's a little weather lore about morning fogs in August from the garden columnist at <u>The Stokes News, Ray Baird</u>:

"With the arrival of August comes the mornings of fogs. Are the fogs of August harbingers of the coming snows of winter? My grandmother in Northampton County always thought they did and so did my mother. They kept accurate records of each August fog and whether they were light or heavy. They rose early every morning, so they were in a good position to observe and record results of the fogs. A heavy fog represented a heavy snow and light fogs represented light snow falls. Some of their observations turned out to be fairly accurate compared to many of today's weather observations."

Have you heard this before? If the lore is correct, we should have a fairly snowy winter! We have had some pretty heavy fogs around here this month.

Our decorating committee is already getting some of our evergreens ready for the Holidays...





Yes, our spiders have been quite busy! It seems like this is the most dense webbing that we've ever had on the boxwoods!



And do I see "Some Cow" written here?!

Fall Plant Sale This Weekend!

Even though the temperatures will be in the upper 80s this weekend, it's perfect weather to come out to the farm and get what you need for your Fall Garden. Join us **Saturday, August 27** (10-1) and **Sunday, August 28** (1-4), for our <u>**3rd Annual Fall Plant Sale**</u>. Now is the time to plant those delicious cool season greens -- want collards for your Thanksgiving dinner? Plant now!

Fall is a great time for gardening -- cooler weather and less pest pressure make growing a real pleasure. We'll help you have a delicious garden filled with cooler weather crops that will feed you until frost -- and beyond. Many fall crops get sweeter and tastier after a freeze -- sugars are a great anti-freeze. We'll have kale, broccoli, lettuce, collards and LOTS more! Here's a link to a <u>list of all of the plants available</u>. All of our transplants are Certified Organic, and they are grown here at the farm with the highest quality of seeds and potting mix.

In addition to transplants, we'll have Seed Garlic. Garlic grown in the South is hard to find and we are happy to share some our incredible crop with you! We'll have Music, Chesnok Red and Elephant.

Strawberry plants will also be available for pre-order. They will arrive in time for planting in early October.

Looking forward to seeing you here at the farm tomorrow or Sunday!





That does it for this week's news, folks! Today is National Dog Day, and our resident canine is so excited!



Well, maybe not too excited!

Have a great weekend as we bid August adieu!

Until next week, Cheryl & Ray

