We'll be at Cobblestone tomorrow with lots of late Summer Specialties! Tomatoes, eggplant, okra, a plethora of peppers, potatoes and MORE! See the full list below.



### Happy Friday, Farm Friends!



What a pleasant change from our hot, dry conditions of last week! We are definitely getting the fall feels around here but we know that we have many more hot days ahead. So, we'll enjoy it while we can!

We have changed our workday start time to 7 -- our old time of 6:30 was just plain dark! But we're still up and at it while the sun is coming up.



### Fall Plant Sale Success!

Thanks so much to all of you who came to our 4th Annual Fall Plant Sale last weekend! It was a huge success! We really love helping folks find the right plants for their garden. We're happy to spend lots of time working one-on-one to introduce them to the best variety for their needs and situation.



We love seeing posts on social media like this one. One of our customers said, "We are SO EXCITED about getting our Fall Garden planned. Plum Granny Farm, thank you! You were so helpful and knowledgeable! We definitely needed all the guidance 😤" This makes our hearts SO happy!

### Family Time!

We got the pleasure of having Ray's brother, Chuck, and his wife, Marcie stop by for a quick visit yesterday. We haven't seen them in a very long time, and it was nice to be able to introduce them to the farm. Marcie is an avid reader of this newsletter, so she keeps up with our goings-on but there's nothing quite like seeing it in person.

Meeting Elise and Jonny and all the critters can take up some time -- and then there's all the veggies and strange buildings (like the milkhouse). It was so much fun to share what we do with them.





# **Did Someone Say Kittens??**

Last Friday, Jonny was working on the porch of our rental house next door and saw two tiny furballs huddled in the corner under the porch. He was able to pull out two tiny, terrified kittens that had been terrorized by the sawing and hammering all day.



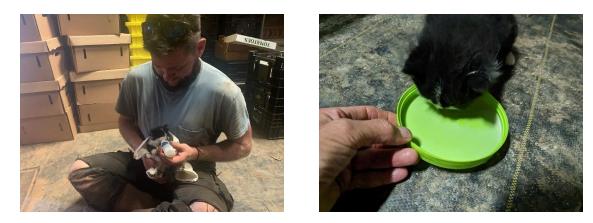
We put them in a crate in the Tobacco Barn and tried to feed them, but they

were too afraid. They couldn't walk very well and just didn't seem entirely healthy. Frankly, we weren't sure they were going to make it.

Boy, have they come around in a week! It's amazing what food and a safe place will do! They are much more active, walk just fine, and are eating like little fiends. They've graduated from a syringe to a bottle to a shallow bowl for feeding quite quickly and are growing like crazy.

We haven't determined their gender yet -- and haven't decided on names. But we think that Detroit has another job of training a couple of refugees the rules of the road for Plum Granny Farm.





# Garlic Time!

It's time to start thinking about your garlic plans for 2024. Although it's too early to plant now, you want to make sure that you have seed garlic at the ready once planting time starts in mid-October.

But before you plant the garlic, do you have the SKILLS to grow it? We can help! We are offering our popular *Growing Great Garlic at Home workshop* again this year! Mark your calendar for **Sunday**, **October 5** from 2-5 for an afternoon of learning all about one of our favorite crops!

Registration has just opened, but make sure you sign up soon. This workshop always sells out! <u>Click here for a link to register.</u>



### **Cobblestone Farmers Market Update!**

We'll be back at Cobblestone again this week and will be bringing the goods for all your good, clean, Organic eats!

The **Potato Bar** will be stocked with FIVE varieties including Fingerlings, German Butterball, Norwis, the last of the Strawberry Paw and **Plum Gold** (our signature purple potato with the creamy golden flesh). Boxes of **Creamer Potatoes** will also be on hand.

We'll also have Culinary Garlic, **Lunchbox** Peppers, Shishito Peppers, **Jimmy Nardello Peppers**, Tomato Fruit Boxes, **Slicer Tomatoes** (they're back!), **Okra**, Italian Eggplant, Basil and More! And everything is Organic!

We will also be bringing Seed Garlic this week!

Look for us under the Purple Tent -- that's where all the deliciousness happens! Market hours are from 8:30-noon. <u>Cobblestone</u> is located in the parking lot at 1007 Marshall Street SW. Parking is available in lots surrounding the market and along the street. Please make sure not to park in reserved areas or to block entrances.

That's all we've got for this week, friends!

We want to wish everyone who celebrates a Shanah Tovah or Happy <u>Rosh</u> <u>Hashanah</u>. This is a Jewish holiday marking the first and second days of the Jewish year which begins at sundown on Friday, September 15, and continues through nightfall on Sunday, September 17.



Until next week,

Cheryl & Ray

