Spring, Sprang, Sprong -- SPRING GARLIC! We'll have the first harvest of our delicious spring garlic at Cobblestone Farmers Market on Saturday. You'll also find lots of other Organic delights including Potatoes, Radishes, Lettuce, Kale, Collards and Escarole. Find more details about what we'll be bringing below.



Happy Friday, Farm Friends!

Did you get to see the eclipse?? We did! Although we weren't prepared with eclipse glasses, the clouds made great filters and we stopped what we were doing and hung out by Bee Field for about 30 minutes taking it all in. We did learn that using the selfie mode of the camera made for a pretty good viewing lens-- plus it let us get some adequate shots. It's been such fun to see pictures from around North America of this astronomical event -- mark your calendar for January 28, 2028 for a partial solar eclipse.



It wasn't all hanging out and gazing at the sun this week (although we did not actually look at the sun!), we got a lot of planting and weeding and plant sale prep taken care of -- let's take a look, shall we?

Those beautiful beds topped with compost and coffee are now planted with a couple hundred sweet peppers. Can't wait to crunch on one of those sweet, juicy Lunchbox peppers in a couple months!





Elise also got lots of onions planted -- we've got almost 1,800 in the ground and we've still got shallots to plant!

RingBob wants you to know that he helped.

With planting comes weeding. Jonny and Brady tackled the furry beds of peas in Lil' Abner.





Tuxie and Dusty got a very long delayed weighin! Dusty is now at 8.25 pounds (the lil' chunk!) and Tuxie is at 7.5. I guess Dusty got tired of being the petite little girl! Or maybe her fur is just heavier.

Plant Sale Prep!

We've been busy getting ready for next week's Summer Plant Sale. Can't believe it's just a week away!! Don't forget: **April 19-21 -- Earth Day** weekend.



Jonny and Brady set up the Pavilion to accommodate the additional plants that the Summer Sale brings. Can you say SIXTY varieties of tomatoes? Or maybe 35+ varieties of peppers? Yep, we've got a lot!

But you know what we DON'T have a lot of? **TRAYS!** We need lots and lots of trays! We've blown through our inventory that we scavenged at the <u>Ag Plastic</u> <u>Recycle</u> facility a couple of years ago and we haven't been able to find such a treasure trove of them since. Do YOU happen to have some trays tucked away in your garage or basement? Or maybe you have lots of berry flats from a recent Costco trip. If so, we'd love to take them off your hands! You can bring them to **Cobblestone** on Saturday, or you could **drop them by the**

greenhouse if you are close by the farm, or just bring them when you come to the Plant Sale. We would be ever so grateful!



We've updated our <u>website</u> to include a <u>list of plants</u> that will be available. Please know that this is an evolving list and we'll be updating it as we get closer to the event.

Get your tastebuds ready for some delicious strawberries from our beautiful Hanging Baskets! They are Elise-approved.



How About a Homegrown Tomato?

We've had a great response to our upcoming <u>Growing Great Tomatoes at</u> <u>Home</u> workshop on **Sunday, April 21 from 1:30-3:00**. This was offered for the first time last year, and our participants were so jazzed after attending! This workshop will include both classroom instruction on growing tomatoes and a tour to a couple of our on-farm plantings. There will even be a hands-on opportunity to learn how to trellis and prune.

The cost of the workshop is \$35 per person and includes your choice of two tomato plants from our plant sale. <u>You can register for the event here</u>. Better hurry! Space is limited!

Cobblestone Farmers Market Update

Thanks so much for all the love last week! It was great to see so many of you at market -- we really appreciate you stopping by our tent and purchasing Organic veggies and plants!

Once again, the Purple Tent will be LOADED with great Certified Organic veggies for your culinary pleasure. This week we'll be bringing the first of our **Spring Garlic** -- something that folks look forward to every year! Spring Garlic is the first step of our 5-Step Garlic Program! Kick off the season with this magical and tasty tonic.



We'll also have **Radishes**, Potatoes, Celery, **Lettuces**, Snacking Cucumbers, Escarole, Kale, and Collards along with Garlic Powder and Granules. New this week are our **Sunflower and Pea Shoots**! Such a wonderful bite of refreshing flavor -- and they are packed with nutrition!



Don't forget the frozen **Roasted Green Chile** which was such a hit last week. In the plant department, look to us for Organic Seed Potatoes, Blackberry plants, Greek Oregano, Spearmint, Chocolate Mint, and Spring Veggie transplants. Looking forward to seeing you soon!

That's the news for this week, friends! The weekend is supposed to be fantastic - sunny and warm -- so get out there and enjoy it! If you need some inspiration for things to do, check out the <u>Events Calendar at **Best of**</u> <u>Winston</u>. You're bound to find something of interest there!

Have a great weekend!

Until next week, Cheryl & Ray

