

Happy Friday, Farm Friends! Happy Valentines Day!



Ray made this lovely heart from tiny petals and flowers last March -- isn't it beautiful? We wanted to share our message of love with you all on this special St. Valentine's Day! We love our loyal readers and friends. You are what keeps our hearts going pitter-pat!

And we can't think about love without our furry, fluffy friends. Tuxie has become quite the cuddle bug -- I think he's eyeing for a transfer to the farmhouse. I think that Barney would have a few things to say -- loudly! -- about that arrangement.



So. Much. Rain.

This week has definitely been challenging weather-wise. The rain seemed interminable -- even BB needed to move to higher ground (she's standing on the septic tank lid!)



Thankfully Wednesday's ice wasn't as bad as predicted -- it provided a nice glaze on the trees and shrubs without coating power lines and roads with heavy ice.



We've got to enjoy today's sunshine while it's here -- the forecast for next week calls for rain, snow and lows in the 20s and teens.

Greenhouse Happenings

We are almost reaching capacity in the greenhouse. There's a daily <u>Tetris game</u> of moving plants from one bench to another to make space. Once it warms up some, we'll be able to move many plants into the Pavilion but it's still too cold.

By tomorrow, all of the <u>Spring Plant Sale</u> plants will have been seeded! That's more than 1,200 plants! We'll be publishing our plant availability list next week -- so stay tuned!



Happy Jonny-versary!!

Yesterday we celebrated Jonny's 8th year with Plum Granny Farm! Eight Years! So many weeds, so many t-posts, so many potatoes...



It's been great having him here through good times and challenging times -- through happy harvests to mucking out barns -- he's always up for it all. We're glad you are here, Jonny Scoble!

Signs of Spring

The snow peas that Jonny and Ray planted last week are starting to emerge -- Yippee!



And yes, we are getting ready to move into another round of super-cold weather. The high tunnel where we seeded the peas had quite a few areas where cold air could enter, so we needed to get that buttoned up before next week's Artic blast. Jonny and Ray made some repairs to the plastic and we'll be covering the beds with a frost blanket to keep the soil a bit more insulated. The solar warmth we're getting today will help a lot!



As we brace for more of Winter's chill, let's enjoy the flowers around us, shall we?





That's all we've got for this week, friends! There's lots of great things going on this President's Day weekend in our area -- don't let a little rain dampen your spirits! Tonight, <u>Bookmarks</u> will celebrate <u>Clifford the Big Red Dog at Hearts and Paws</u> -- it's a Valentine and Birthday (Clifford's!) celebration.

On Saturday, there's <u>Cobblestone Farmers Market</u> from 9:30-noon along with <u>Kaleideum's</u> 1 year anniversary at its new location in Downtown Winston-Salem.

Check out <u>Best of Winston</u> and <u>The Go-To Winston-Salem</u> for more ideas of how to love where you live!

Be kind to your neighbors. Until next week, Cheryl & Ray







