

Happy Friday, Farm Friends! Happy Spring!
This week we have a couple of featured flowers -- because you can't pick just one!
(pun intended!)



Redbud trees are starting to bloom all over. We don't have many here at the farm (hoping to change that!) but we really enjoy the couple that do live here. These cheery flowers look like pea flowers -- plus, they are edible!



The first tulips are popping in the Purple Bathtub planter. As the daffodils fade, they add some freshness and life to the planting.



Our peach tree seemed to escape frost so far this year. The flowers are mostly faded now as the leaves move in. Last year was a big peach crop - fingers crossed that we'll get a pretty good yield this year. Although experience tells us that peach yields tend to alternate -- big one year, little/none the next year.

## Plant Sale Gratitude!

Thanks so much to all of the plant lovers and gardeners who came out to our Spring Plant Sale last weekend! We are so grateful for the wonderful community response to this event! A hearty welcome to our new newsletter subscribers, too!

A huge round of thanks to our volunteers! Big shout out to Kelley, Maggie, Suzi and Tiffany for making time to help with this event!

We're hard at work getting ready for the next event -- our huge Summer Plant Sale. Please note that we had to change the date for the sale. The new dates

are Friday, April 25 through Sunday, April 27 and we're adding the next weekend as well (Friday, May 2 and Saturday, May 3). Mark your calendar for this big event and stay tuned for lots more details to come.







Although the plant sale consumed a lot of time, other things got accomplished as well. Let's take a quick walk around, shall we?



Ray removed the Maple Tree hive and found quite a surprise -- this amazing abstract sculpture! The residents were one of the most creative hives we've ever had. Unfortunately, it appears that the bees froze over the winter. After making some repairs to the hive body, Ray will place it back in the same area -- it's a perfect location.

The Sweet Italian Peppers in the greenhouse are doing quite nicely. They've been pruned and trellised and got their first fertilizer. We're starting to see flowers -- and itty-bitty peppers! Awwww...





The first round of slicer tomatoes are in the ground and Ray got the Fruits planted on Sunday.



Lil' Abner (the high tunnel) is filling up!



We've also got two beds of Squash in Lil' Abner. They've started to fruit and we hope to have some squash at Cobblestone Farmers Market next Saturday!



Jonny and Ray planted some early potatoes in Lil Abner on March 13.



As of March 25, we've got sprouts!



Wind+Time=Decay
With the ferocious winds we've been
having lately, the boards protecting the
windows at the Star have taken a
beating and started falling off.



Ray and Jonny removed the boarding and replaced it with new boards and lots of caulk. Nice clean and primed boards in need of paint. Hmmm...we're thinking purple! What do you think?

There's so much more but that's the news for this week, friends! Next week we'll be getting ready for next Saturday's opening of the Main Season at <u>Cobblestone Farmers</u> <u>Market</u>. We'll be there every week this season and look forward to providing you with delicious Organic produce, plants and specialty items!



Have a great weekend and enjoy the sunshine!

Until next week,
Cheryl & Ray

P.S. Enjoy the basketball games this weekend!







