



Crate Full O' News

Week 15, Sept. 19-21, 2006

'Tis the end...

But also the beginning!!

Thanks again for joining the 2006 DeBerry Farm CSA Vegetable Subscription Service!

'Tis the end of our Subscription Service, but it's the beginning of our planning for next year! **Please hop onto our website and complete a CSA Customer Feedback Form.**

Our dreams came true: we made it! Our worst nightmare never came to fruition: you actually had several different vegetables in your bag each week—and it was never empty!

Though, we know we had some glitches along the way. Sometimes all of what was on your newsletter didn't make it in your bag. Sometimes we forgot to give you a newsletter! Sometimes we put something new in that wasn't on the newsletter and confused you. We hope that the positives outweighed the negatives and you enjoyed getting your veggies each week.

Again, we really appreciate you joining our Subscription Service this year.

Farm Feature Picture:



Thought maybe this winter if a friend happens to ask you what a vegetable subscription is, maybe you could show them this picture!

If you missed a week:

Remember you can stop by one of the farmers markets to pick up some produce from us. The sooner the better, though, as our variety keeps dwindling as the season progresses.



At the farm

We have a lot to do on the farm in the fall. We'll still be selling at the McHenry farmers market thru the end of September & the Oakland market through mid October.

Plus we must clean up our fields—brush hog the weeds, remove all the plastic mulch and irrigation lines, then plant our cover crops to keep soil erosion at bay.

We also need to take some of the old plants out of the fields and burn them to help prevent the spread of disease. Others we can till back into the soil, and others will be composted and returned to the soil next spring.

And then there's always planning for next year...



This week:

Here's what is in your share this week (remember to wash all veggies before eating)

Farmer's Choice!

Yep, it's a cop-out, we know. But this week we'll be trying to "make up" for times we forgot to put something in your bag (like the cabbage we forgot to put in last week's bags on Thursday). You will have already gotten pretty much everything you will get this week, so we hope you remember how to cook it! Don't be surprised to see some greens in there!

Of course, if you need a bit of help, please don't hesitate to call.



Anna's Corner



We've enjoyed telling you about Anna's antics each week. I'm sure when she's 12 she won't enjoy it, but for now it's a lot of fun! In a way, it's been our "diary" each week.



And here's our little farm girl. On Sunday we took some pictures in a couple of dresses she's growing out of. She sure looks the part - she even has a "farmer tan." She sure is the light of our lives, and a major reason we do what we do - we want her to learn about nature and appreciate all we get from the land.



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