

# The Farm Weekly

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## GORGEOUS WEATHER WEEK!

Weather like this makes it tough to come inside and write a newsletter! Tim is still out trying to get caught up and will probably be there until close to sunset. The weather has made it easier to get close to 75 flats of transplants out of the greenhouse this week including the only fruit we grow, watermelons and cantaloupe.

As of this evening there aren't any new alpaca babies in the pasture, but I still have to go up to the pasture and make sure that everyone, which I don't mind in the least when it looks like this outside. Maybe we will have a cria tomorrow.

There are two tomato plants in the box this week. Both are cherry tomatoes, however you won't be able to tell which is which until they start to bear fruit for one has the typical red and the other will produce a dark brown fruit. Both have great flavor and will allow you to have tomatoes right outside your door.

The plants will grow

larger than the herbs we have been providing. They will need as sunny a location as possible with adequate room. You could place these in a pot, but use a large one and be sure to water regularly and give them good soil to thrive in. They will probably need staking to keep them growing straight and to prevent them from toppling over.

The other plant is a jalapeno and will grow to about the same size as the basil. Keep out of reach of children!

I was mistaken last week when I told you that one of the plants was oregano. Sorry, but it was actually marjoram. There is no difference in their care, so switch those name tags.

There were a few questions about the lettuce. Some of you received a head of "speckled trout", at least that is the translation. This variety has brown spots that are normal and do not indicate spoilage, so do not assume there is anything wrong with it.

The weird green

orbs in your box this week are one of my favorites called Kohlrabi. It is a member of the cabbage family and has the same versatility. Some students from Carroll High School visited last week and really seemed to enjoy a sample when I picked, peeled, and cut it for them right out in the garden.

Kohlrabi is best stored in the crisper drawer of your fridge until you are ready to use it. You prepare it by peeling off the outer green skin as well as trimming off the top and bottom. From that point on, the sky is the limit for it can be eaten raw, stir fried, boiled and mashed, or simply cut into bite sized pieces, steamed for a few moments in the microwave and enjoyed with some butter and salt.

Kevin is leaving earlier to deliver your boxes this year in order to beat the heat and the traffic, so we have provided an updated version of the pickup sched-

ule below. While he may arrive earlier than what is written, we have built a cushion into the schedule to allow for any traffic delays, so if you arrive earlier than the prescribed time and there are no boxes, be patient!

Also we would like you to know that the CSA Instructions and newsletters are posted on our website on the Newsletters page. So if you forgot to pick yours up, you can always access it there in PDF format.

It is not unusual for folks to forget to pick up there boxes. If it is still light out, you can run over and see if it is still out. If your pickup is in Springfield, you have the luxury of having the entire weekend to do so, since we have them stored in our cooler. Rogge Street usually still has them out on Saturday morning and later, but this is not likely for the other pickup locations.

That's about all we have room for this week. If you are on the payment plan and have not sent in your second payment please do so now! Have a great week!

**PLEASE NOTE:  
NEXT WEEK'S  
PICKUP IS ON  
THURSDAY,  
JULY 3RD DUE  
TO THE  
HOLIDAY**

### *This Week's Box*

Bunching Onions  
Lettuce  
Kohlrabi  
Gardener's Delight  
& Black Cherry  
Tomato Plants  
Jalapeno Plant

### *Next Week*

Onions  
Broccoli  
Lettuce

### Yellow Springs 9:00

Fairborn 9:30  
Beavercreek 10:30  
Rahn Road 11:30  
Bellbrook 12:00  
Centerville 1:00  
Lebanon 2:00  
West Chester 2:30  
Miamisburg 3:00  
Rogge St. 3:30  
Salem Ave. 4:00  
Tipp City 4:30