CHICKEN TENDER TIMES

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Greetings from Paradigm Pastures, and welcome to our monthly newsletter. We have been rocking and rolling in our efforts to practice humane animal husbandry in raising pastured poultry!

WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

The honey boxes have been filling up, and the harvest this year will probably be early! Once I finish with honey processing, I will probably try to do a split with the hives and give them time to increase their numbers and build their honey store before winter. We are going to try to give them a little better cover this year during the winter. I'm trying to minimize losses like what we have seen over the past couple of winters. Liquid gold is on the horizon!

What's been going on:

Summer has been busy, busy, busy here on the farm! Processing for the first batch of chickens went great, and the second batch is already on pasture! They are thriving on all the green grass, and the egg-layers are producing like crazy. We have started selling our eggs at the local farmer's market, and the sales were pretty good. We aren't looking to go to the bigger markets since we don't plan on increasing our flock enough to support those numbers, though. We are happy to stay focused on the local area and make sure we have something good to offer here. Speaking of the farmer's markets, we will hopefully be able to offer more goods in the future since we were recently approved for a grant for a high tunnel greenhouse! This will be a big project to get the equipment moved, the ground prepared, and the 30'x72' structure put up. It will allow us to start crops earlier in the year and extend the growing season deeper into the winter. The overall goal is to offer organically grown food to our local community while also reducing the dependency on commercial growers and large chain grocery stores. Between the produce, chickens, turkey, and honey, we are hoping to make an impact on the health and happiness of our community. Speaking of turkeys, we have the order in for poults with Duncan Poultry, and we anticipate having turkeys up for pre-order in the next month. That announcement will go out as soon as we get the birds here on the farm, and we will plan on processing them the Saturday before Thanksgiving (Nov 21st) as we usually do. Turkey pickup will be the next day so that they will be ready to go in the brine and prepped for Thanksgiving Day! We still have a number of projects going on and some big plans for the farm in the coming year. Thank you for being part of this wild ride we are on!

Happy 250th, America!

Thank you so much to everyone that showed up for our annual 4th of July Blowout! We had such a great time, and we got to see family, friends, customers, and neighbors. We have a great group that shows up every year to celebrate this holiday on the farm, and it is one of the best days of the year. We have kids playing all over the yard, good food, friends that fly in from far away to join us, and an awesome fireworks show at the end of the night. It's one of the best nights of the year, and we had a friend put together a video of this year's celebration. Check it out below, and consider joining us next year:

JULY 4TH

THE SHOP IS OPEN!

Keep your eyes on the shop for updates to the honey harvest, eggs, chicken, and merch:

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