

>>> NEWSLETTER <<<



SEASONS OF STEWARDSHIP



Cultivating a regenerative future, one step at a time.

**BABY, IT'S COLD
OUTSIDE!**

TOP NEWS OF THE MONTH



>>> THIS **PAST** YEAR

- Tried our hand with adding goats to rotational grazing and milking one
- We learned how to make goat cheese, cream cheese, cottage cheese!
- Egg production with Blooms & Berries
- Asked to expand our Egg Production.
- Got great at writing grants. Applied for several. **TBD!**
- **Moved** our outside well water into our heated **well water in the barn.** Good thing too, because of the winter weather snap we currently are under.

800 TREES - OVER 40 VOLUNTEERS <<<

- We will **report back later in the spring** on the native orchard that we planted this past year.
- **Grants Update:** We didn't get the grant for the last part of the orchard- so we are **pausing** on that part til 2026 unless financial backing comes through and completing fencing for pastures
- **Part 1/2** of Bee Stewardship Completed. Woo-hoo!
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ORCHARD UPDATE



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PRESENT

GOALS FOR SPRING 2025

>>> TROOPER TRAINING

- Update on **Trooper**, our LGD, and his progress in learning how to guard the animals. He's doing great! We will see as expand in creating our pastures for rotational grazing this year.

How will he do with the addition of goats and sheep? Yep, you read correctly. **More to come as Petunia, our goat is pregnant!** Due in spring around the same time we will be adding the sheep.



>>> PREPARING FOR EXPANSION

1. Working on a **mobile coop** for our turkeys and chickens adding into our rotational grazing.
2. Creating our **pastures into paddocks** for grazing 4 | 9 (Applied for more grants!)
3. **Want to volunteer?** We have a monthly times in Feb 22, March 22 or April 26th from 10-12 or 2-4pm.

[Sign-up here](#) and we will send out a text reminder closer to dates.



OH, AND BY THE WEIGH...



Our journey with stewardship for the land has been one of great reward with a lot of work. Thanks again to all who volunteered to make this happen. We are now **three years into transitioning our farm into organic.** We made the jump and went this past Friday to pick up our bulk order of organic feed (**1 TON! Which will last roughly two months**) from our our certified organic farmer friends. That was a lot of fun on a brisk cold Friday.






Pollinator Steward Certification



Pollinator Steward Certification empowers people with the scientific know-how to make a real difference for pollinators, people, and the planet. This course is ideal for home gardeners, land managers (large and small), farmers, and anyone that wants to do more to support pollinators. Join our growing community of Certified Pollinator Stewards!

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FUTURE

>>> NON- PROFIT EXPLORATION, SIGNS, AND MORE



- We are exploring a **non-profit side of the farm for educational purposes** as last year we had **3 schools visit** and do some hands on learning with us.
- In **Spring |Summer** our farm will host an event or two about what we've done on the farm around our Pollinator Steward Certification. **TBD on Dates.**
- As part of Stewardship, I **designed pollinator garden signage, available for purchase this Spring. Look for the link in the next edition!**
- We are still trying to complete the orchards remaining two acres and 200+ trees. Additional grants will contribute to more productive and sustainable pastures. The better we get at regenerative grazing practices the better the health of the land and animals.

>>> INDOOR FARMING

- Did you know we grow our own fodder for our birds in the dead of winter? It's like microgreens grown under grow lights to supplement their diet when snow covers the ground—and they absolutely love it!
- I'm beginning my winter vegetables planning for spring



>>> BACK INTO TURKEY PRODUCTION

Reservations for turkeys are opening soon!

After pausing full-scale turkey production last year to focus on planting 800 trees (phew, that was a lot!) in Phase 1 of our Native Orchard, we're excited to return to pasture-raised turkey grazing for 2025.

This spring, we're preparing for turkey breeding and raising poults (baby turkeys) for another season of sustainable, free-range production with organic feed.

Reservations will open in our next quarterly newsletter—stay tuned! 🦃



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