

Schreiber & Sons CSA

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Hello CSAers,

The Weather. It has not been cold, but it sure has been much cooler than usual. We are not hitting record lows, but it is definitely cooler than we need it to be. Things are very behind. I estimate we are at least 10 days behind schedule. On April 1, we got a half inch of snow. We are supposed to be gearing up for asparagus harvest, not shoveling snow! What all of this means for the CSA delivery schedule is unclear. Stay tuned and cross your fingers...it is supposed to go below freezing again tonight and tomorrow. After that it is supposed to be quite warm and I hope it really helps the growth of crops.

Planting. We are planting raspberries today and on Tuesday of next week, we plant two acres of blueberries (one acre organic, one acre conventional). These blueberries are for research purposes, but we have high hopes that we will be able to access the fruit that comes off these plots. Next week the first greenhouse crops will be transplanted into the field.

CSA Events. On May 9th (a Saturday) at 3:00 pm we are going to have a Scout (Girl and Boy)/kids tour at the farm. We will have a tractor pulling a trailer tour the farm. After or during the tour we will pick some vegetables. Around 5:00 pm, we will grill hot dogs over a bon fire of tree and grape prunings. This is open to Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts and to all kids. We would like a head count so send us an RSVP if you can. Of course we expect that anyone bringing children will be responsible for whomever they bring. Also, you should expect that your kids will come home with some dirt they did not come to the farm with.

On May 24th (a Sunday) we will have a big CSA Farm Party.

There is never a fee for CSA events at the farm.

Pick Up Sites and Location. We have scheduled our pick up locations. Below are the addresses. If you want to see the addresses on a Google map go to:

<http://maps.google.com/maps/ms?client=firefox-a&hl=en&ie=UTF8&msa=0&ll=46.493872,-119.175096&spn=0.53699,1.796265&z=9&msid=104973808794430172196.00046682ca9f17e1a5d23>

South Richland:

Eva Fleming
171 Kranichwood St.
Richland WA 99352-8458

Between Adair and Llandwood in the Hills West subdivision.
This is about 3 blocks from last year's drop site.

North Richland:

Mona Alzheimer
2185 Newcomer Av
Richland WA 99352
Off of George Washington way, turn on Saint Street and then on Newcomer

Pasco: Amelia Larson

8615 Studebaker
Pasco, WA 99301
This is off of Sandifur across from Maya Angelou elementary school

West Richland: Dustin Dobsen

610 S 54th Av
West Richland, WA 99352

Kennewick: Rose Rehfeldt

1401 S Harrison Ct
Kennewick, WA 99338
They live off of 10th and S. Irving St. near the intersection of 10th and Kellogg

I am guessing that once you see the drop sites a few of may want to switch your drop sites. Email or call the office with your request. We are working on the possibility of drop site at Battelle or PNNL. We are also working on putting a drop site in Connell if we can generate enough members.

Our Brochure. If you are aware of anyone who might be interested in Schreiber and Sons CSA, we have attached a copy of the brochure for you to pass on to them.

Tri-City Herald. The Tri-City Herald is supposed to run an article this weekend on CSAs, including ours. We look forward to seeing what comes out.

The League of Culinary Adventurers. I have lots and lots of questions on how we should be doing things. Last year I sought a number of members who served as a kind of an advisory board. We never met-it was all done over the internet. I would pose questions and this group would send me advice and guidance. I called the group the "League of Culinary Adventurers, Limited" which as an anagram spells *LOCAL*. I need a group of a dozen or two members to want to field questions and provide some direction. If you are interested email me and let me know.

A picture of your future spring salad mix growing in the field:



