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Winterbor Kale



Full Subscription is \$525.00 for 3/4 bushel all 20 weeks.

Half Subscription is \$300 for 3/4 bushel 10 weeks.

Individual Subscription is \$210 for 1/2 bushel for 10 weeks. We will still take payments on these. Just email me for directions on how to set this up. The payments for new customers early bird plans \$560; \$325 and \$225.

Garden and Weather Report

Hello from the Gardens! And **HAPPY HOLIDAYS** from all of us at Beaver Creek Gardens. Just a quick reminder that if you wanted to get the deep discount of the Loyalty Special, you have 10 days remaining! I offer this to my existing or past customers as appreciation for their business and hope that many of you will take advantage of the pricing.



It is raining today and supposedly getting up close to 50 degrees - some winter we are having! I do not mind as it keeps the heating bills down and who wants to shovel snow? It would be nice for a little of the white stuff on Christmas but I think this is going to be one of those brown ones we have seen in the past. It does make it easier for travel though for those of you that are

going someplace for the holidays.

I have ordered all of the seeds for the February and early March plantings. Believe it or not when I went to order the Kale, they were out of one of the varieties I usually order. Kale seems to be in such demand that everyone is putting it in their gardens. They did

have an alternative to it that looks almost identical, so we are going with that this year. I also ordered Tomato and pepper seeds as I did not want to chance missing out on anything in this category. I did order ground cherries this year. They are called husk cherries and are sweet, kind of like pineapple in flavor. These will be a new addition to our CSA this year. They are easy to harvest as they fall to the ground when ripe!

Have a Safe and Happy New Year! Sunsetting on 2015!!!



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As you can see from the photo below - everything still looks like fall around here. I took it just before we left for the west coast and I loved the sun setting on the bales of corn husks on the farm just northeast of our gardens. Fall is so picturesque.

The picture on the right is from our recent trip to San Francisco. We took the Redwood Forest off my bucket list. Those were the most amazing trees I have ever seen. The smell in the forest was indescribable. If you have not yet visited this area, you have to see it. One of the most amazing things to me was not only the age of some of these trees, or the breadth but the height. You have to strain your neck to see the tops. Running a CSA causes Ron and I to have to travel in some off seasons which certainly has some advantages. We lucked out on the weather in San Francisco as we hit four days of sun and mild temperatures. We also found that some of the tourist attractions like Alcatraz were not booked and were able to take advantage of that. We toured Napa Valley Wineries and had most places to ourselves just about. The Embarcadero decorated for Christmas was very beautiful.

I was invited to speak in Springfield this year for the CSA bootcamp part of the Illinois Specialty Crops, Agri-tourism and Organic Conference on January 8th and I am looking forward to speaking and attending the conference - who knows what new ideas I will find for our CSA among all the others attending!

So here we are ending 2015 and approaching 2016, the eighth year of our CSA. I am looking forward to another year of growing for you and your families. It feeds my passion to provide good, nutritional food for my subscribers and farm market shoppers. I wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Joyous New Year!

This Months Photo's

