



Beaver Creek CSA

your local food connection!

BEAVER CREEK GARDENS
beavercreekgardens.org

20506 Beaverton Rd • Poplar Grove, IL 61065 • 815-494-1251 • CDoetch53@gmail.com

Currier & Ives!

We have our Loyalty Special going right now, so make sure



you take advantage of the reduced prices that are available to current members of our CSA through the end of this year! Prices are as follows: \$550 for a full 20 week large box, \$325 for 10 week large box. \$220 for the 10 week small box and \$440 for the 20 week large box.

Garden and Weather Report

Hello from the Gardens! For those of you that have children, I am certain you are aware that there are only 13 days until Christmas! But are you also aware that there are only 19 days remaining to take advantage of the Loyalty Special Pricing that is available only to former customers. The pricing is in the right column under the Currier & Ives caption. If you are at a loss for a gift for some family member that has everything, think about giving an Individual Membership and I will honor your Loyalty Pricing with the gift!

Wow, what a change in the weather and how it has slammed into winter the past week. We are totally snow covered and I have to say, it

is beautiful. This morning the almost full moon woke me up coming through our west window through the leafless Honey Locust tree, it was truly gorgeous even

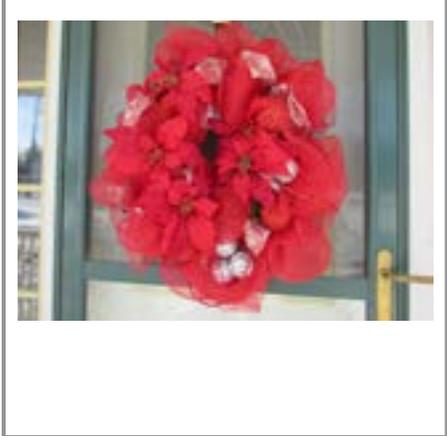


though it was only 5:30 a.m! As I am writing this there is not a cloud in the sky and I can see far across the Doetch Farm Fields of white, at least a mile away. As long as I don't have to work in this weather, it isn't so bad!

I would say that the garden is pretty much done for the year. In the pictures on page 2, you can see some Brussels Sprouts and kale still standing erect, but they are definitely frozen.

• Continued on page 2

Have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



Garden and Weather Report

continued from page 1

I will let Mother Nature freeze the sprouts and as long as we do not have a thaw, I can go out and harvest them if the snow isn't too deep. Those are in the picture to the left. The picture on the right shows one task that I did not get completed before the snows came . . . the Trail of Tear bean poles are still up. I did go back and grab a 5 gallon bucket full of pods, but it was too muddy to pull everything out and so I decided that this year it will make a great snow fence! In the foreground of that picture, you can see the hump that is the Rosemary I am trying to overwinter. Andy and Ron cut the conduit for extra strength hoops and then Andy, Cindy and I covered the row with a double layer of Agribond. The Rosemary I bought this year is supposed to be good to 20 below zero - we will see. I wanted to grow a hedge of it next to the asparagus. Rosemary is a perennial in the southern states, but not typically this far north. I thought with climate change and a warmer winter we might make it - but this season start doesn't look promising! Growing is always an adventure.

I want to wish all of you a very Happy Holiday Season, stay warm. I will be ordering seeds at the end of this month as winter is just starting, dreaming not of sugarplums, but of giant broccoli heads, delicious asparagus and wonderful greens of spring!

This Months Photo's

