

# Jelli's Market

## May 2009 Newsletter

### Is Spring here yet?

So, after spending countless hours in our greenhouse so far this spring, we wonder if it will soon be warm enough to venture outside and enjoy some spring days? What do you think?

### Happenings at Jelli's Market:

We uncovered the strawberries in mid-April. Looks like they survived another winter just fine. The raspberries got pruned and thinned out, and we are patiently waiting for signs of life in our new blueberries. Since they were just planted last year, we aren't sure how long it takes for them to "come to life". Our hope is that eventually they will. I tend to worry a lot about our blueberries since it is quite difficult to grow them in the type of soil we have in this part of the state. Even just getting them to live through the winter would be a big thrill for me!

We have put in our first planting of peas as well as sweet corn. As soon as it dries up, our new strawberries will get planted as well as the new asparagus. Just today we planned to plant the asparagus but as soon as we got everything all hooked up, it started to rain. I guess planting is on hold for another few days at least! Aahh, the joys of farming life!

### Farmers Markets:

We plan to attend three farmers markets this summer. We will continue to go to the Dousman Market on Wednesday afternoons, the Waukesha Market on Saturday mornings, and our third market will be the Watertown Market on Tuesday mornings. You can find details on times and exact locations on the farmers markets page of our website. We have made some good friends and met some wonderful people at the two markets we have attended the past couple of years. Our hope is to spread the word about our "pick your own" option at our farm as well. We always are happy to bring orders to any of the markets if you give us at least one day's notice.

The markets begin in early May, and we plan to bring asparagus, rhubarb as well as flowers, hanging baskets and some vegetable plants. Hope to see you there!

### Other news:

We still have a few openings for group tours during our strawberry season. For more information, send me an email or call our berry hotline. We have also added a few more "kid friendly" items to our play area. I think our young visitors will be excited to see and play with our new additions. As always, we welcome visitors of all ages, and offer babysitting services during the season.

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