



Tri-County Farms

## 2019 Harvest Newsletter

### Fall Greetings from your Tri-County Farm Association!

We have had a busy year promoting member farms and now that harvest is quieting down—for some of us—we want to catch up with you!

If you missed the Spring Farm Tour we hope you'll plan to attend in 2020. On the reverse side you'll find a peek at the activities that day.

On Facebook we continued to share and like your posts, and remind followers of in-season items they needed to hurry to your farmstands and markets to purchase. Many of you updated your farm profiles on Tricounty.org and we thank you! Many of you also took advantage of the crop update messaging system to directly share your news with 4,000-plus subscribers who wanted to hear from you. This year Tri-County produced postcards with seasonal crop reminders and a direct link to our website Farm Finder--that's where your updated farm profiles served you well to get those customers to your doorstep! The postcards were a hit and we had to go into a second printing as member farms ran out of cards.

We have more information to share with you as well as some photos from the Spring Farm Tour below. Please enjoy the read and we look forward to 2020 with your farm!

—Your Tri-County Farm Association Board

### *The Buzz on the Farm*

#### *From the Leadership...*

Got an idea? Would you like to have a voice on the Board? Enjoy networking? Our board welcomes new ideas and new Board members, so don't be sheepish. Speak up and we'll find a great way for you to be involved. You will find board contact information at the end of this newsletter.

#### *Tri-County Member Benefits...*

- Web FarmFinder listing
- Facebook post liking and sharing
- Access to the Crop Update emailing list
- Networking with fellow local farms
- Promotion in printed advertising
- Printed farm guide listing
- Annual farm tour

#### *Upcoming...*

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL season begins soon. Watch your email for details, deadlines, and 2020 winter and spring events!

#### *Roll that Beautiful Farm Footage...*

Need help explaining what a CSA is? You are welcome to have our little pink pig explain for you!

<https://tinyurl.com/y68fpfma>

Want to share more of the proud background of farming here in NW Oregon?

<https://youtu.be/hyF8sEbd-FQ>

# Spring 2019 Farm Tour



*How did you learn about our farm?* One of the most common answers is, "I found you on the Tri-County Farms website." I can't afford not to be a member!

*I was hesitant...* about joining, but am very glad that I did. Our first year 95% of sales were from Tri-County referrals!

*As a direct farm market...* it is essential to belong to this organization. I display the Tri-County Farm sign on my stand and it gives further credence to our operation.

## Get Involved with Tri-County Farms! Get in touch!

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