Hi Everyone, We continue to be blessed with decent weather- mild temperatures and moderate rainfall. The rainy stretch has taken a toll on our tomato crop though, especially the heirlooms, but we have some later planting that are still looking okay. There are many ripe tomatoes on the vines that will not be picked because they are too ripe to sell or distribute to the members. They are good for making tomato juice that can be used as a soup base. We also have a lot of plum tomatoes that are ripening en masse. Over the next 2 weeks we will be offering members the chance to buy bulk tomatoes. We will also invite members to come out to the farm and pick their own. More details are below the update. Our eggplant production has slowed down, and I know from past experience that many of you are ready for a break, and so we will take one. The melons have also been badly affected by all the rain as well, but as the vines die back the melons ripen. They may not be as sweet as I might have liked, but they have good flavor. The South American cousin of the round cherry, known in Colombia as uchuvas, and marketed here in the States as goldenberries, are finally ripening. They are sweeter than the ground cherries, but more tart with a citrusy flavor. We will be including them in the shares as supply allows over the next few weeks. We are doubling up on the alliums this week, with both leeks and garlic.

The share for this week will be: Lettuce, squash, garlic, carrots, peppers, sweet corn, kale, leeks, tomatoes, beans, melons, goldenberries, and choice of an herb (dill, cilantro or parsley). Premium shares will also include bok choy and cherry tomatoes.

To order bulk tomatoes send me an email with your order. Include the site where you pick up and payment information- Venmo - @John-Krueger-19 (6935, last 4 of phone #)
Or send a check to: Circle Brook Farm, 141 Brighton Rd., Andover NJ 07821
We will send your order in a carboard box with your name on it. Please keep in mind that the tomatoes will be ripe and that you will need to process them promptly. Anyone interested in receiving their order on the weekend can pick up at one of our markets- Montclair, Saturday 8 am -2 pm @ the Walnut St. train station. Denville, Sunday- 8:30 am – 1 pm @ the Upper Bloomfield Ave. parking lot.
If you are near one of our other markets during the week you can pick up there as well.
Please specify where you will pick up. You can pay by cash or CC at the markets

Prices- Mixed size, round red, very ripe tomatoes, 20 lbs. m@ $30
Roma Plum tomatoes, ripe- 20 lbs. @ $40 San Marzano plum tomatoes- 20 lbs. @ $50
Tomatillos (for salsa verde)- 10 lbs. @ $20

If there are any other items that you wish to order in bulk please ask, and we will try to accommodate.

I will be available on the farm for anyone who wants to pick there own, this Saturday 8/26 at 3 PM and on Sunday 8/27 at 10 am if you RSVP. I can also be available during the week by appointment.

Email me at kruegerjohn@earthlink.net Please put tomato order in the subject line. I will confirm your order.