



2022 Crop

This year's crop has experienced many highs and lows. A cold April led to a late planting. Then near perfect June weather was followed by a July drought (a 30 day stretch without rain) that seemed to wipe out any hopes of a good crop. At the 11th hour (August 6th), the rains came in a big way to save our crop from the edge of certain death. August has turned out cool and wet; the recipe for a great finish.

Our hopes are high for a bumper crop this season!

"It is impossible to have a healthy and sound society without a proper respect for the soil."

Peter Maurin



Farm Focus

Soon after moving back to my family farm, I was down at the creek watching our son play. It struck me that he was standing in the same place where I had stood many years before. I realized that all of my children would have the same opportunities that I had during my childhood to play, work and grow on the farm. While the world around us continues to change, this piece of countryside remains the same—as serene and lush as ever. I thought, "That's what is so cool about the country."

As Kimberly and I reflected on the enduring quality of our rural landscape and culture, we began a journey to celebrate what we consider "country cool". It started

as a gift to our farming partners, but now has grown into a larger mission to create a bridge from individuals to the land, connecting generations of farmers, land owners and consumers.

This fall we are introducing an apparel line that celebrates how we are all tied to the countryside. Some of us through our work, many through our heritage, and all through our consumption of agriculture. Our desire is to show how we are all connected and "country cool". We will have more to share with you soon. For now, please sign up for our Country Cool updates on our website. www.countrycool.com

Wishing you a "Country Cool" season ahead, Mark



Farm Flashback

An attention-grabbing landmark and a relic from a by-gone era, this early 20th century corn crib represents a small part of the history of the Tyden Farm legacy and the people and farming practices that preceded us. When the decision needed to be made whether to restore it or

remove it, the call was an easy one to make. Back in its hay day, this was the main grain storage for a “large” farm, holding about 10,000 bushels on the sides plus overhead bunkers being filled with a conveyor grain leg running through the floor to the very top. These days a combine will harvest

much more in just one day than the entire storage capacity of this corn crib. It’s long been retired but still serves a very important purpose, reminding us to respect our past and all those who came before us. We are thankful for the courageous men who hung from the roof to restore it.



Farm Story Winner

Congratulations to Jodi White of Hampton! She was the winner of the farm story contest. She won a \$100 gift card to Pizza Ranch.

Thank you to everyone who submitted a story! We had a wonderful time reading your memories on the farm.

Family Tradition

Bang Bang Sauce

- ½ c. mayo (or avocado mayo)
- ¼ c. sweet chili sauce
- 1-2 tsp. sriracha sauce
- 2 T. honey or maple syrup

Combine all. Serve as a dip for shrimp, as a dressing on salads, or on top of rice and chicken.

These ingredients are sold in most grocery stores, but you may need to ask for help locating them. They can also be purchased online. Finding the ingredients is well worth the effort. This sauce is so simple to make, stores well in the refrigerator and makes many meals delicious.

