

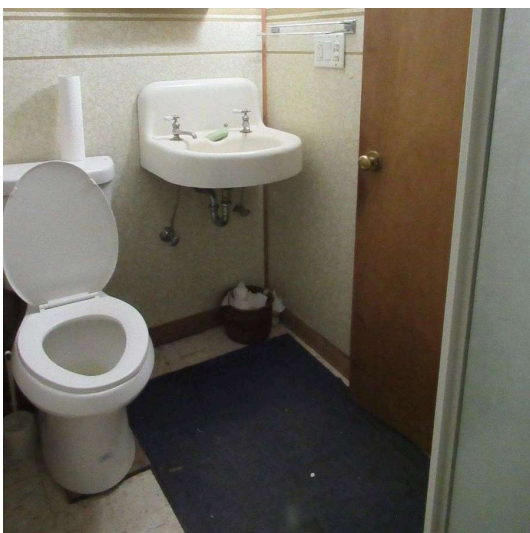
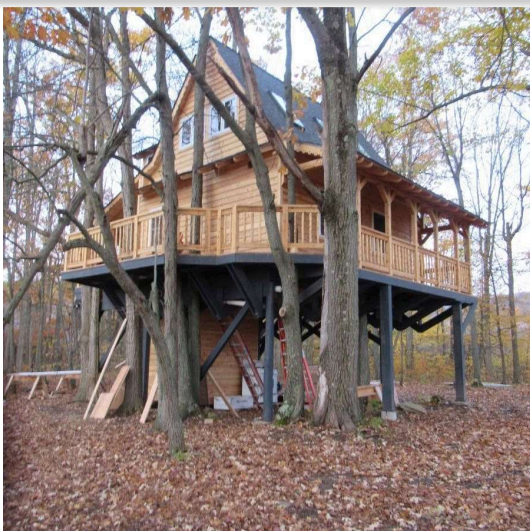
APRIL GREETINGS FROM CROSS ISLAND FARMS



WHO'S BEING BORN



April is when baby goats are born. Here Mom watches over two-day old triplets already up and about playing king of the mountain!



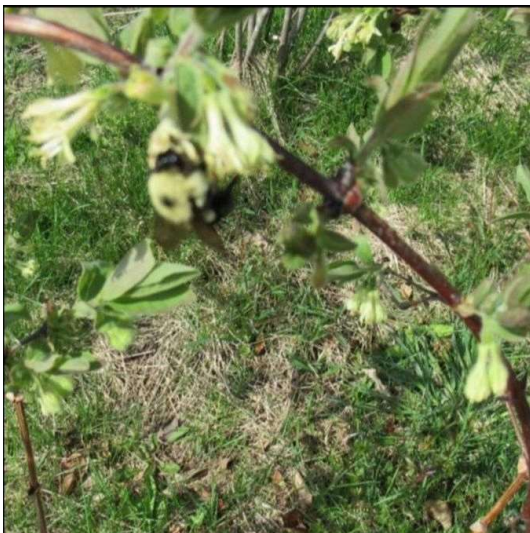
Tucked in a woody knoll near the back of the farm is a new amenity: a two story solar-powered cottage suspended among trees built by master builder Dick Edgar. To find out more and book your stay, go to Airbnb, plug in your dates after May 1, and search Wellesley Island, NY.

WHO'S VOLUNTEERING



After graduating this spring from Syracuse U. as an environmental studies major, Nuur decided to volunteer at our farm for a month where she got to do a bunch of seasonal chores including spraying nutrients on fruit trees and holding the first baby goat born this Spring. This is a great time to come for a Farm Tour and get to hold a baby goat yourself!

WHERE ARE MORE SIGNS OF SPRING



The Edible Forest is alive with activity. For the first time this year an actual bluebird is nesting in a box designed for them, but occupied in past years only by wrens and tree sparrows. Nanking Cherry is the first to bloom of four varieties of cherry bushes; the rest will follow over the next few weeks..

WHAT'S NEW ABOUT THE TV SHOW



Fittingly, on Earth Day, the crew from WPBS returned to shoot another episode of the Home Scale Forest Garden Show. This time Dani collected greens for a spring salad, pruned a grape vine, transplanted a bush, planted a bare-root

WHEN AND WHERE IS DANI SPEAKING



**On-Site: Garden Conservancy Open Day
in the**

Enchanted Edible Forest Garden

Saturday, May 18, 2024 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

to register go to

[Jefferson County, NY Open Day :: Events : The Garden Conservancy.](#)

Off-Site: Native Food Plants for Pollinators and People

Wednesday, May 29

Woodgate Community Hall from 3:00 to 4:00 pm, and at Lyons Falls Library
from 6:00 to 7:00 pm.

. RSVPs are appreciated through Tug Hill Tomorrow Land Trust at

www.tughilltomorrowlandtrust.org/events.

**On-Site: Garden Tour for
Ontario Bay Initiative and Lyme Garden Club**

Sunday, June 9 2024 1 p.m. till?

On-Site: Tea, Talk and Tour**Art of Dining Benefit for the Frederic Remington Museum, Ogdensburg**

Thursday, June 20 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Go to [Home \(fredericremington.org\)](https://fredericremington.org) for more info

On-Site: Garden Tour for**The Hammond Area Garden Club**

Thursday, June 20 4 p.m.

To register contact grimsleybarbara@gmail.com

Off-Site: Native Perennial Food Plants for Pollinators and People**KEYNOTE SPEAKER at****2024 NYS IPM Annual Conference - Fruit IPM for the Home Garden and Landscape**

June 27 at the Cornell Cooperative Albany Office

24 Martin Rd, Voorheesville, NY 12186

<https://cals.cornell.edu/new-york-state-integrated-pest-management/outreach-education/events/annual-conference>

Off-Site: Native Food Plants for Pollinators and People**for TILT's Annual Birkhead Lecture**

Thursday, August 22, 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Zenda Farms, Clayton, NY 13624

<https://tilandtrust.org>

ENJOY THIS SEASON OF RENEWAL

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