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Last 3 weeks of raffle ticket sales for the Farms for Life fundraiser. Great prizes! Buy your ticket now- sales end Sept 15th, and the drawing is Sept 21st.

So enjoyed the **corn**! Sorry no corn this week, the **Honey Treat will be ready next week though**. We are moving the bird net from the first patch over to the Honey Treat today. The crows know just when it is ripe and can tear up a corn patch in just one night, as we have learned in the past. So for the last few years we have erected a fence around the patch with bird net on the sides and then going over the top of the whole patch. (getting it on top is really fun!)

The **summer squash** is dying out, which is typical this time of year. We are picking it the beginning of the week, but have no idea right now if there will be anything to pick for the last part of the week.

Chard- remember in the last newsletter I suggested members pick a few extra bunches and freeze them. Now is the time! Mildew will set in soon! Although it will still be pickable after that, (you can just wash it off), it will not be as lush as it is right now. Instructions at RC website, click on "recipes", select "greens" and you will find my excellent instructions for freezing greens to keep them at peak flavor (they really do taste better than the "fresh" ones at the store that are available in the winter!

Seasons change – we will be starting to bring in the winter squash to the greenhouses for curing. The fall brassicas (Gailon, kohlrabi, turnips, kales, etc) are lifting up the row cover, and will be on the menu before we know it.

Preseason signups for 2015 will be available in a couple of weeks. More later-