



Sapsucker Farms 2006 Annual Report

Greetings stakeholders,

Thank you for your interest in Sapsucker Farms, LLC. 2006 proved to be yet another adventurous year for us. Simply put, we learned a lot, expanded a little, which means we spent a lot of money, had some successes, made some mistakes, and had a lot of fun along the way. But most of all, we were so very fortunate to have many of you come and join us at some point during the year as well. Here are a few highlights worth noting.

Maple Syrup Report

- Season: early March through mid-April
- No. of years producing 100% pure maple syrup: 6
- Total number of taps: 400
- Amount of pure maple sap boiled down to make one gallon of 100% pure maple syrup: 28 gallons
- Gallons of 100% pure maple syrup produced: 70
- Favorite maple syrup recipe: who needs a recipe, just chug it right out of the bottle or lick it off the plate
- Tip: 100% pure maple syrup makes a great gift

Honey Report

- Season: April through September
- Number of years producing honey: less than 1
- Number of honeybee hives: 2, then 5, now 3 (we learned all about bee swarming – rookie mistake)
- Pounds of honey harvested: none, we don't have any extracting equipment yet... stay tuned for next year
- Number of bee stings: Jim – 17, on the hands, chin, and legs; Debbie – 39, on the hands, arms, legs, face, and (ahem) butt

Organic Crop Report

- Organic sweet corn: really sweet – the best we ever had. We shared a little but ate most of it ourselves
- Organic edamame (soy beans): very good, although they were attacked by the organic bunnies. We'll use an organic shot gun on them next year.
- Organic peppers: Unknown. We couldn't find them among the organic weeds.
- Organic tomatoes: Abundant
- Organic potatoes: None. We forgot to plant them.

Other Numbers to Report

- Number of wedding anniversaries celebrated: 1; 27 years on June 2nd
- Birthdays celebrated: 2; April 7 and August 10
- Combined age on 12/31/06: 100 years and 45 days
- Volume: down a combined total of 45 pounds
- Cords of wood cut and burned: about 15
- Number of muscles sore from cutting wood: all of them
- Number of orchids in the greenhouse: about 75
- Number of mice caught: still counting



God has richly blessed us by allowing us to be a part of your lives this year and we look forward to seeing you in 2007. And yes, we still have plenty of Sapsucker Farms 100% pure maple syrup ready for Christmas gifts.

Merry Christmas and God bless you,

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