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My apologies for not writing a July newsletter!

Star Barn B&B has enjoyed visitors staying for various reasons. One couple came to return their mother's ashes to the area she grew up in. Another to be in the area they grew up in for a few days in the summer. And another, a repeat couple (half of which grew up here), just because they love Star Barn! People that grew up here really appreciate what is here; even if they don't live here anymore, they love to come "home."

We're still kind of waiting for summer to actually arrive. There has been so much rain – nearly every day since the beginning of June – the gardens are suffering horribly. Haying, which is very important to the farmers in the area, has been difficult to accomplish. The saying "You have to make hay when the sun shines" is absolutely true.

Our Phoebes returned to the nest AGAIN for another family and there are now twice as many Blue Jays. There have been moose tracks along the driveway several times as well as deer, but no more bears. The frogs are silent at night now, with only the occasional bull frog making its presence known. Some are getting pretty big after 5 years in the pond. Their croaks are long and deep.

Well, that's it for now. I'll try to be timelier with the August newsletter. Until then, enjoy the sun when you can!

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