

ALASKA GROWN

Farmer Profile



Bormans Farm is a U-pick kind of place!

Delta Junction - As it often is, farming is a family business for the Borman's. Frank grew up on a farm in Northern Ohio which his brother still runs today. Most of the fruits and vegetables were sold on a stand in front of the farm. This farm is not only where Frank got his interest in farming but also how he selected the strategy of pick-it-yourself selling. This method is in full swing today at his farm in Delta Junction where you can pick your own assortment of produce grown on Borman's Farm.

Borman moved to Alaska and set up roots in 1970.

He owns a 72 acre farm of which approximately 50 acres are cleared. On that acreage he grows seed potatoes, cabbage, and peonies. He keeps his ear on the ground for any products that are in demand by his customers and is willing to try growing anything there is a market for. He enjoys trying to grow new items and in recent years has tried his hand at rhodiola, carrots, and broccoli among other things.

In addition to his on-farm sales, he also sells to the prison and the Fairbanks School District. Frank is a member of the Alaska Peony Growers Association (APGA). Frank is

looking forward to selling peonies into

the cut flower market and is an active member of the APGA

This past summer Frank had students from the local community school out to the farm for a farm visit and educational field trip. He continues to hold an innovative and optimistic view of farming and likes to try new things. Frank goes the extra mile especially when it comes to kids and the Alaska Farm to School program; but getting his cabbage into school lunches. He allows his farm to be used as a host site as a community classroom.

Borman looks forward to continuing his sales with the Fairbanks School District and hopes to extend to other districts in the coming years.



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