# Currituck Grown

# Local Foods Newsletter

# **July 2014**

## **Tomato Nutrition Facts**

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The Local Foods Newsletter is published to provide you with the source of fresh local agriculture commodities that are produced by small farm growers in Currituck County.

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### Fresh Eggs

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Blueberries

Point Harbor U-Pick Blueberries, 252-491-8266 The Brumsey Farm, Currituck, 252-202-3790 Coinjock Creek Farms, Maple, 252-267-1691 Joe Dzwonek, Powells Point, 252-491-2250

Hormone Free Beef

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Peaches

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# **Currituck Roadside Markets**

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# Currituck Small Farm Growers' Profile

Shawn and Jeff Davenport 'The Chicken Lady', Powells Point

Shawn Davenport's love for animals and poultry dates back to her childhood years when her dad raised poultry and livestock on their small farm in Ohio. With Jeff and Shawn, raising and producing poultry is more of a hobby. It started about 15 years ago when Shawn's son was four years old. She wanted him to experience what she had growing up - the hatching and raising of chickens and other poultry species. While Jeff is involved in the maintenance of the poultry housing, pens, and security of the flock, Shawn manages the flock raising and producing chickens, ducks, quail and peacocks. She is, also in charge of egg production and sales to cover feed costs. Shawn is truly inspired when she has the opportunity to share her knowledge of raising a backyard chicken flock. Shawn serves as a Cooperative Extension volunteer by speaking at poultry educational programs for adults and as a 4-H leader for her "Fancy Feathers 4-H Club". Shawn and Jeff Davenport are located at 117 Rachael Lane in Powells Point, North Carolina, and you may contact Shawn at 252-202-3796. Thanks for being a Currituck County local foods grower.

#### **Tomato Basil Bruschetta**

Ingredients:

- 3 plum tomatoes, chopped 1/3 cup thinly sliced and coarsely chopped onion
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tablespoon red wine vinegar
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 tablespoon minced fresh basil or
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- $\frac{1}{2}$  teaspoon dried oregano
- <sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground pepper
- 1 pound loaf, whole wheat French bread, cut into  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch slices

#### Directions:

• Combine tomatoes, onions, garlic, red wine vinegar, 2 tablespoons olive oil, basil, oregano, salt and pepper; set aside.

- Preheat broiler of oven.
- Lightly brush both sides of bread slices with remaining olive oil and arrange on ungreased baking sheet.
- Place three to four inches from the broiler and heat slices for two to three minutes on each side or until golden brown.
- Top each slice with tomato mixture, using a slotted spoon and serve.

#### Yield: 16 half-ind

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Nutritional Analysis: 140 calories, 5 g fat, 1 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 250 mg sodium, 19 g carbohydrate, 3 g fiber, 0 g sugar, 4 g protein

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