

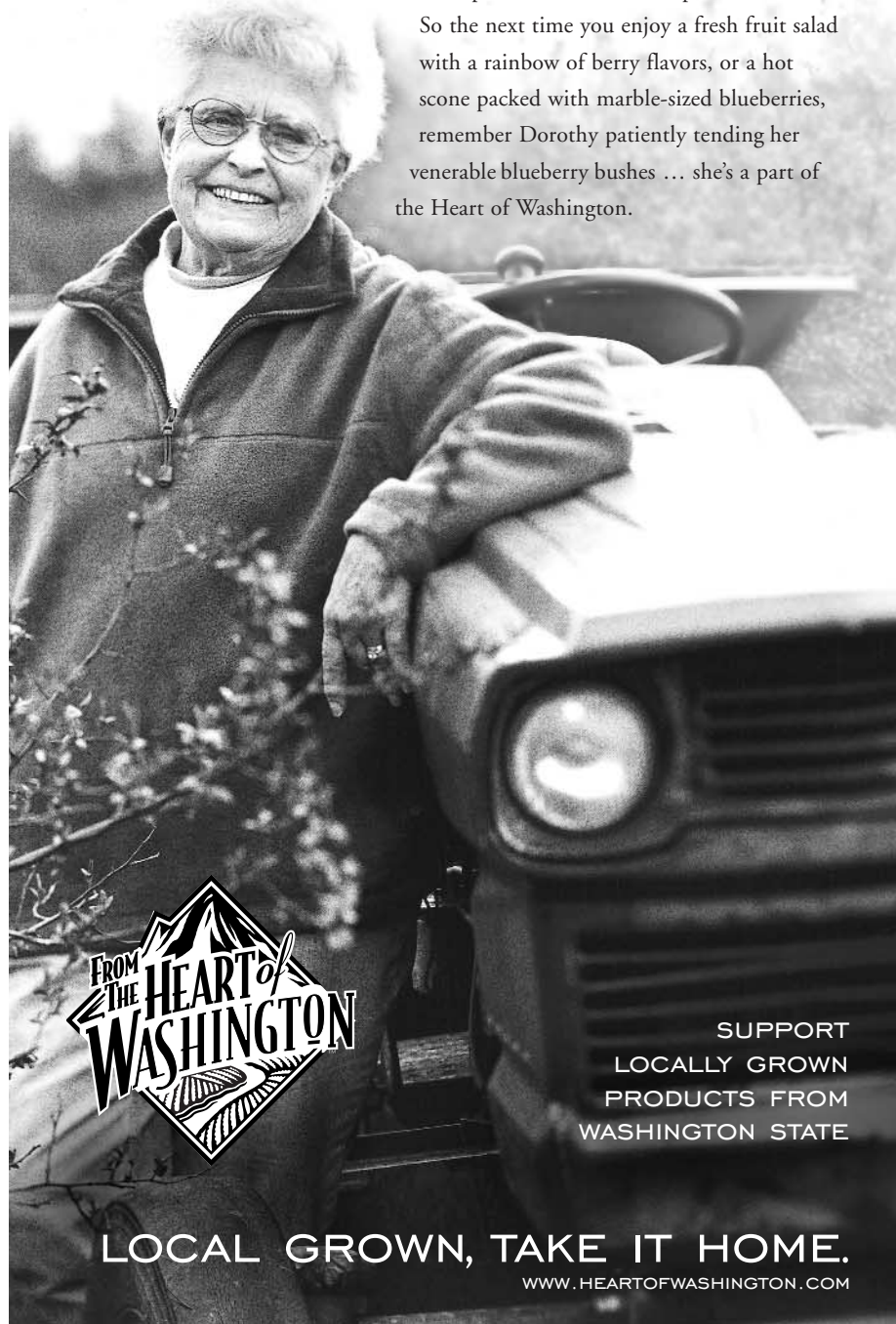
MEET DOROTHY.

Dorothy Anderson knows a bit about longevity.

An energetic 77 years young, Dorothy runs her 20-acre blueberry farm in Bow with a passion spanning 30 years. Dorothy shares an affinity with the farm's stately, 50-year-old blueberry bushes, which can go on producing huge, grape-like clusters of scrumptious berries indefinitely. While most of her crop is frozen for use in pies, jams, ice cream and other treats, neighbors still drop by her packing shed for fresh berries by the handful. With its rich mineral soils, abundant water and cool, coastal climates, it's no wonder Washington is a world leader in berry production. Ruby-red strawberries, delicate raspberries and tangy cranberries also thrive here, and in 2001

the state produced 121 million pounds of berries.

So the next time you enjoy a fresh fruit salad with a rainbow of berry flavors, or a hot scone packed with marble-sized blueberries, remember Dorothy patiently tending her venerable blueberry bushes ... she's a part of the Heart of Washington.



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