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2011 CSA Information

WE ARE YOUR FARMERS . . . Come join us for our fourth CSA season in 2011. Here at Earth Harvest Farm, we offer community members a way to eat seasonal, delicious, nutritious, *and* organic vegetables and herbs fresh from our farm through a seasonal subscription known as a CSA.

YOU ARE THE LIFE OF THE FARM . . . Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) creates a direct connection between organic farmers and veggie-loving consumers. Families and individuals living near CSA farms become 'shareholders' by purchasing a portion of the farm's harvest. Your pre-season payment allows us to purchase all of our seeds, supplies, and equipment before the first harvest.

THE SMALL FARM REVOLUTION . . . Consumers looking for clean and healthy alternatives to the grocery store are forging relationships with small, local, and organic farms around the country. Rather than relying on our huge industrial food system's average 1500 mile distance from field to table, folks are able to purchase 'food with a farmer's face.' CSAs allow people to reconnect to the land, their food, and the people producing the food. By sharing in this farm-to-table movement, you'll be supporting a local farm while tasting the flavor and freshness of our organic vegetables.

HOW DOES THIS WORK? . . . Our season runs for 18 consecutive weeks, from mid-June to mid-October. Once you become a 'shareholder', you'll head on out to the farm each week and pick up your box of freshly harvested veggies. You'll generally go home with ½ bushel of vegetables, equivalent to one or two grocery bags of produce, with two to three bags during peak season.

VEGETABLES PLANNED FOR 2011 . . . acorn squash, arugula, basil, beans, beets, bok choy, broccoli, butternut squash, cabbage (green & red), Chinese cabbage, chives, cilantro, corn, cucumbers, delicate squash, dill, eggplant, fennel, garlic, garlic scapes, hot peppers, kale, kohlrabi, leeks, onions, parsley, patty-pan summer squash, peas, peppers (green & red), potatoes, radishes, scallions, spinach, Swiss chard, thyme, tomatillos, beefsteak, roma, & heirloom tomatoes, summer squash, Sungold cherry tomatoes, turnips, zucchini

2011 will be a somewhat collaborative season with certain crops being grown specifically for us on other local certified organic farms. Those crops include: lettuce, carrots, melons, rutabaga, celeriac, beets, and onions.

MOTHER NATURE . . . while we make every effort to produce the crops we have planned and budgeted for, there are times when problems arise due to weather, insects, failed plantings, farmer error, or other unforeseen problems. It should therefore be understood by all shareholders that crop availability may be affected these sorts of problems.

GROWING PRACTICES . . . We are not certified organic but are Certified Naturally Grown. We follow the USDA Organic Standards and are passionate about growing organically, feeding the soil, and not harming the environment unnecessarily.

COSTS & REGISTRATION . . . For 18 weeks, we charge \$480. We offer every-other-week shares (\$240) and you can always share with a friend or neighbor. We are offering only 80-shares again this season. Please don't get stuck on the waiting list because you forgot to register! Existing shareholders have first priority.

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