

## Early Bird and Referral Discounts

Farm life slows down in the winter, but it certainly doesn't stop. We're ordering seeds and preparing for spring before the New Year arrives. Enjoy the anticipation of spring with us by paying in full before the end of the year, and subtract \$25 from your large share price, or \$15 from your small share.

Word of mouth is the best possible advertising. To encourage our members to pass along the word, we're offering a referral discount of \$50 off next year's share for each share you can sell for us.

## Egg Shares

New for the 2011 season we are offering egg shares! We raise a variety of laying hens that lay wonderful fresh eggs. These hens free roam through the fields and the woods, eating grass, flowers, and bugs. We feed them certified organic grain from a regional producer. You will not find better eggs than these! The share price is a .50 per dozen savings over our retail price. Sign up to guarantee availability.

## Other Farm Products

In addition to our vegetable CSA and eggs, we also raise chickens for meat. The breeds we raise are bred to do well on pasture, and they have really great flavor that can't be found in confinement chicken. Our birds are always on fresh grass and have plenty of room to roam inside their fence, which keeps them safe from ground predators. They are fed a certified organic grain mix, and they get plenty of green grass and bugs. **These chickens are delicious!** Retail price is \$6.00 per pound, and we will be happy to discuss discounts for volume or pre-orders.

In coming years, we will be offering more humanely raised meat options in the form of pork, beef, and lamb. Check our website, email or call for updates and further information.

## Shares

Every week we will provide members with a diverse assortment of vegetables and herbs. The nature of a CSA involves some uncertainty. We can't tell you exactly what to expect week to week, but that's part of the excitement! If you aren't sure what to do with something in your share, please ask us!

## Share Size

Because we've had so many requests for it, we are returning to a two-size share system. Large shares work well for families who like to cook at home; it is our goal is to provide a small family - two or three people - with at least enough produce for five meals with two vegetable items per meal. Of course, this is an approximation, as we can't know how your family cooks and eats. Small shares are good for families who want to supplement a garden, single people, or couples who don't cook every meal at home. \* *Small shares will not necessarily get every item that the large shares get each week.* Quantities and variety will vary throughout the season and are dictated by weather conditions.

## What's in a Share?

### Early Season

Lots of Greens...Asian Greens, Mustard Greens, Swiss Chard, Chinese Cabbage, Lettuce  
As well as...Peas, Radishes, Broccoli, Beets, Carrots, Cabbage, Chives, Mint

### Mid-Season

Summer Squash, Green Beans, Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Peppers, Eggplant, Lettuce, New Potatoes, Carrots, Beets, Tomatillos, Melons, Basil, Cilantro, Parsley

### Late Season

Potatoes, Winter Squash, Kale, Bok Choy, Carrots, Beets, Onions, Brussels Sprouts, Broccoli, Cauliflower, Cabbage, Turnips, Garlic, Rosemary

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# Otter Hook Farms

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Traditional Family Farming



## Community Supported Agriculture

We are a small family farm using land in Greenville and New Baltimore, both in Greene County, just west of the Hudson River. Our passion for clean, nutritious and delicious food is what led us into farming, and it is our mission to deliver the best food we can grow to our members. We are continually working to improve our soils in order to grow the most nutritious and best tasting food available.

### How does CSA work? What does it entail?

- June through October pick up a weekly share of fresh vegetables and/or eggs at set location.
- Shares will consist of fresh produce in season, grown organically without the use of synthetic fertilizers or pesticides. All seeds and plants on our farm are non-GMO, and most are heirloom or open pollinated.
- Receive a weekly newsletter to keep abreast of what we do on the farm, share new recipe ideas and notes from your farmers.
- Share the rewards and the risks of food production with your farmers. Learn what is involved in producing the food your family eats.

## 2011 CSA Membership Agreement

By signing this form, you understand and agree to the following terms of membership with the Otter Hook Farms CSA:

Members of the CSA will receive a weekly share consisting of approximately 6-12 items (shares will vary in size and weight depending on the time of the season). One aspect of CSA is that members support their farmer by sharing in the inherent risks of agriculture (poor weather, drought, crop failure, etc.) and the rewards (organic, exceptionally fresh vegetables, the bounty of a good season, etc.) involved in farming. CSA farmers purposely plan for such contingencies; the farmers use growing techniques that protect the harvest to minimize the risk and optimize the rewards. On the whole members will get a wide variety of vegetables in plentiful amounts.

I understand this principle and agree that there is no guarantee on the exact amount or type of produce I will receive in my share. By participating in the CSA, I am supporting the local farmer as well as more equitable food distribution, and I am helping to create a more environmentally and economically healthy society.

By becoming a member, I agree to support the farm with timely payment. I commit to picking up my share(s) each week and I understand that if I, or someone I designate, is unable to pick up my share(s), they cannot be saved.

- **Distributions are at the Farm in New Baltimore on Tuesdays between 4pm and 6pm, at the Honest Weight Food Coop Thursdays from 5pm - 7pm, and at the Farm in Greenville on Saturdays from 8am-10am.**
- **Distribution for the 2011 season will be 21 weeks long (weather permitting), beginning the second week of June and going through the end of October.**
- **Shares will be pre-boxed; please remember to bring your box back each week.**

Please return this form with your deposit. Full payment appreciated by May 31.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to sign up for:

\_\_\_\_\_ Large Vegetable Share (\$525) Pickup Location: \_\_\_\_\_ New Baltimore \_\_\_\_\_ Honest Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Greenville

\_\_\_\_\_ Small Vegetable Share (\$300) Pickup Location: \_\_\_\_\_ New Baltimore \_\_\_\_\_ Honest Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Greenville

\_\_\_\_\_ Weekly Egg Share - 20 Weeks (\$90) \_\_\_\_\_ Bi-Weekly Egg Share - 10 Weeks (\$45) (Mark Location above)

Sign & Date: \_\_\_\_\_