



From the Garden

Greetings from the Farm!

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2008 CSA Dates

Deadline to confirm CSA Membership for 2008
Friday May 9th

Deadline to send payment and CSA Membership Application
Friday May 9th

Orientation Sessions
Sunday June 1st 10am – 12pm
Sunday June 1st 2pm – 4pm
Tuesday June 3rd 6pm – 8pm
Thursday June 5th 6pm – 8pm

CSA Garden Work Bees
10 – 4 p.m.

Saturday May 10th
Sunday June 8th
Saturday July 12th
Sunday August 10th
Saturday September 13th
Sunday October 12th

First Pick-up
Tuesday, June 17th, after 3PM
Saturday, June 21st, at the Orangeville Farmer's Market

Hello past and prospective Whole Village CSA Members. We hope you had a wonderful winter and are enjoying the warm spring weather. Whole Village CSA is alive with activity, preparing for the 2008 growing season.

There has been an important change at Whole Village CSA in the last month. We have reorganized the CSA Management structure and have welcomed two new co-managers, Graham Corbett and Adrienne LaChapelle, who will be working with last year's manager, Aerron Kirby. We look forward to a successful season and to bringing you fresh and tasty vegetables.

We are busy getting plants started in the greenhouse, ordering new seeds and preparing the beds to plant our earliest crops. It's also time to begin the process of confirming our Membership for 2008. This newsletter will give you all the information you need to complete the Membership process for the 2008 season.

If you want to participate in the Whole Village CSA this season **please confirm your membership by telephone or email by May 9th. Also, please ensure that we receive your Membership Application and payment before Friday, May 9th.**

Please review page two for information about news and events. Get the details about share payments and the membership process on page three and complete the Membership Application on page four.

We look forward to meeting and seeing you all throughout the growing season.

Your Whole Village CSA Team

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CSA News and Events

A significant change for this season is the reorganization of the CSA Management structure. **This year the Whole Village CSA will be co-managed by Graham Corbett, Aerron Kirby, and Adrienne LaChapelle.** If you have any questions for the new management team, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Another change regards the pick-up process. **Members will now have a choice of pick up days and locations.** Members can choose to pick-up on Tuesdays at Whole Village, anytime after 3PM or at our booth at the Orangeville Farmer's Market on Saturday's between 8AM and 1PM. We hope this will make pick-ups more convenient for you.

We are also making some changes to the Membership process for 2008. Most importantly, we are inviting **all new and returning CSA Members to attend an Orientation Sessions in the spring to learn more about the CSA model and the Whole Village Farm. The Orientation Sessions will be held on the following dates:**

CSA Member Orientation Sessions

Sunday June 1st from 10AM-12PM or 2PM-4PM
Tuesday June 3rd from 6PM- 8PM
Thursday June 5th from 6PM-8PM

We will be in touch with CSA members throughout the season via regular newsletters to give you information about CSA pick-ups, volunteering, harvests and special events. **We look forward to hosting a number of special events throughout the growing season including the orientation sessions, a potluck supper, and garden work bees.**

The CSA model is about connecting eaters with the farmers that grow their food and the land where that food is grown. **With this goal in mind, we are happy to offer CSA Members the opportunity to come out and work in the garden during the Whole Village work bees that take place each month between 10:00 and 4:00 on the following dates:**

CSA Garden Work Bees

Saturday, May 10th
Sunday June 8th
Saturday, July 12th
Sunday, August 10th
Saturday, September 13th
Sunday, October 12th

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Small Share:

Annual Payment:

- Cheque in amount of \$500 with current date.

Bi-annual Payments:

- Deposit cheque in amount of \$250 with current date.
- Second cheque in amount of \$250 post-dated for August 1st.

Monthly Payments:

- Deposit cheque in amount of \$100 with current date.
- 4 cheques in amount of \$100 post-dated for July, August, September and October 1st.

Large Share:

Annual Payment:

- Cheque in amount of \$700 with current date.

Bi-annual Payments:

- Deposit cheque in amount of \$350 with current date.
- Second cheque in amount of \$350 post-dated for August 1st.

Monthly Payments:

- Deposit cheque in amount of \$140 with current date.
- 4 cheques in amount of \$140 post-dated for July, August, September and October 1st.

Please Note:

- *We prefer payment by cheque. Please make cheque payable to: Whole Village.*
- *Please date deposits for the day they are written NOT the first day of pick-up. We use this early income to cover spring capital costs like seed and equipment purchases.*
- *Deposits received without post-dated cheques for the full amount of the Membership fee will not be accepted.*

EIGHT STEPS TO CSA MEMBERSHIP:

Step 1: Read the 2008 brochure and this newsletter carefully.

Step 2: Call or e-mail us to confirm your CSA Membership for 2008 before May 9th.

Step 3: Complete the Membership Application Form and submit it, along with your payment before May 9th. We have a waiting list, so send your payment in **ASAP**.

Step 4: Attend an Orientation day of your choice. See the News and Events section for details.

Step 5: Pick up a copy of the Member Guide at the Orientation and read it before your first pick-up day.

Step 7: Pick up your first share at the farm on June 17th or at the Orangeville Market on June 21st.

Step 8: Pick up and enjoy your fresh, delicious, organic vegetables each week!

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CSA Membership Application

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Business Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

(For office use only)

Date Received: _____

Payment Received: _____

Follow up: _____

To save paper, would you like to receive your CSA Newsletter via e-mail? Yes No

Our CSA Cookbook, "Fresh from the Fields" contains tips and recipes for all the produce we grow. Are you interested in buying a discounted copy for only \$15? (Regularly \$20) If yes, please add \$15 to you deposit. Yes No

Which Orientation Session do you plan to attend?

Sunday June 1st – 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Tuesday June 3rd – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Sunday June 1st – 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thursday June 5th – 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

SHARE SIZE (PLEASE CHECK ONE)

LARGE SHARE: \$700

- ◆ Roughly 21 weeks of produce: vegetables, herbs, occasional fruit and cut flowers suitable for a family of four or two vegetarians.

SMALL SHARE: \$500

- ◆ Roughly 21 weeks of produce: vegetables, herbs, occasional fruit and cut flowers suitable for a small family or a couple or a single vegetarian.

PAYMENT METHOD

CASH

CHEQUE

PAYMENT PLAN

ANNUAL (One payment due May 9th, 2008)

BI-ANNUAL (Second payment due August 1st 2008)

MONTHLY (Five instalments paid June through October)