RED WIGGLER

CREATING FERTILE GROUND TO NOURISH A HEALTHY AND INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

2012 CSA Lottery Application

Red Wiggler Community Farm would like to thank you for your interest in our CSA program, and your desire to join us for the 2012 growing season! By becoming a member, you will not only be getting fresh organic vegetables, you will be supporting our Non-Profit mission -- providing jobs for adults with developmental disabilities and service learning opportunities for area youth, while promoting environmental stewardship.

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a mutual commitment between a farm and a community of supporters which provides a direct link between the production and consumption of food. Supporters cover an integral part of a farm's yearly operating budget by purchasing a share of the season's harvest before it is grown. CSA members make a commitment to support the farm throughout the season, and assume the costs, risks and bounty of growing food along with the farmer or grower. Members' payments help cover costs for seeds, water, equipment maintenance, labor, etc. In return, the farm provides, to the best of its ability, a healthy supply of fresh seasonal produce throughout the growing season.

In 2012 we will offer 3 seasonal shares: Spring, Summer and Fall:

Spring: 7 on-farm vegetable/flower/herb pick-ups at Ovid Hazen Wells Park (23400 Ridge Rd) at a cost of **\$210** for the 7 weeks.

Summer: 9 on-farm vegetable/flower/herb pick-ups at Ovid Hazen Wells Park (23400 Ridge Rd) at a cost of \$**270** for the 9 weeks.

Fall: 9 on-farm vegetable/flower/herb pick-ups at Ovid Hazen Wells Park (23400 Ridge Rd) at a cost of **\$270** for the 9 weeks.

In addition to the prices listed above, we ask that all CSA members contribute a \$50 tax-deductible program fee to help support our Non-Profit mission.

A detailed description of the shares, complete with pickup times and dates is provided on the following pages.

Applications and a \$50 deposit are due by close of business Tuesday, January 17th, 2012. The lottery will be held shortly thereafter and **we will notify all applicants by Friday, January 20th.** If you are not selected in the lottery, your \$50 check will be returned via USPS.

As always, we will continue farming with an eye toward environmental stewardship, improving our on-the- job training activities for adults with developmental disabilities and offering quality service learning opportunities for area youth. Your participation in our CSA is a vital component to Red Wiggler Community Farm's mission. We hope that you'll join us in 2012 for our 17th growing season!

Many Thanks, Red Wiggler Staff and Growers

P.S. If you have any questions, feel free to contact our Farm Manager, Loran Shallenberger, at <u>loran@redwiggler.org</u>.

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For those of you who aren't so crazy about greens and root crops, but can't live without summer squash and tomatoes (or vice-versa), we have structured our membership options to allow you to choose your produce seasonally. In 2012, we will offer Spring, Summer and Fall shares. Though not exhaustive, what follows is a list of crops typically available by season:

SPRING	SUMMER	<u>FALL</u>
Mixed Baby Lettuce	Tomatoes	Arugula
Head Lettuce	Sweet Peppers	Braising Mix
Spinach	Hot Peppers	Kale
Swiss Chard	Cucumbers	Collards
Kale	Zucchini	Swiss Chard
Collards	Summer Squash	Beets
Mustard Greens	Carrots	Turnips
Kohlrabi	Onions	Radishes
Beets	Potatoes	Garlic
Turnips	Sweet Potato Greens	Kohlrabi
Radishes	Garlic	Lettuce
Spring Onions	Beets	Winter Squash
Garlic Scapes	Swiss Chard	Sweet Potatoes
Green Garlic	Eggplant	Asian Greens

Please Rank your preference and list N/A if it's not an option for you.

Spring Share

□ 7 weeks of Wednesdays from 2pm-5pm starting May 16th and ending Jun 27th: \$210

□ 7 weeks of **Saturdays** from **9am-12pm** starting May 19th and ending Jun 30th : **\$210**

Summer Share

 \square 9 weeks of **Wednesdays** from **2pm**-**5pm** starting Jul 11th and ending Sep 5th : **\$270**

 \Box 9 weeks of **Saturdays** from **9am-12pm** starting Jul 14th and ending Sep 8th : **\$270**

Fall Share

9 weeks of Wednesdays from 2pm-5pm starting Sep 19th and ending Nov 14th : \$270

9 weeks of **Saturdays** from **9am-12pm** starting Sep 22nd and ending Nov 17th : **\$270**

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NAME:
(Primary shareholder receiving tax deduction for membership fee)
ADDRESS:
CITY, STATE, ZIP:
PHONE NUMBER:
E-MAIL ADDRESS:
SHARE PARTNER(S): Often members split their shares, and we have found that having everyone's contact information for newsletters and mailings is helpful. Please fill in the following if you are splitting your share with others:

Name:	Name:
Address:	Address:
Phone#:	Phone#:
E-mail:	E-mail:

I understand and accept the inherent risks of farming related to weather, soil conditions and pests and their potential effect on yield. I recognize that actual harvest amounts vary with the season and that Red Wiggler makes no guarantees with respect to the total value delivered over the course of the 2012 season. *To guarantee my spot in the 2012 lottery, I recognize that I must submit this form and a \$50 deposit by COB January 17th, 2012. Accounts must be paid in full by May 1st, 2012.*

SIGNATURE _____

 \Box Enclosed is my deposit: \$_50_

Please make checks payable to Red Wiggler Community Farm.

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