

Enterprise Farm News

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Dear Shareholders,

As you know, we are currently conducting our first shareholder survey. The shareholder response rate to the survey has been excellent. So far, 62% of shareholders have completed the survey! We are extremely happy to be gaining your valuable feedback. We hope that those of you who haven't yet filled out the survey will take the time to do so in the next week. The survey will be available online until April 10th.

The survey will help us plan crop selections for the coming year. It will allow us to further communicate to other growers we work with the types of vegetables and fruits customers would like more of! It will also help us clear up any produce quality issues, as much as is possible. When the results are in, we will publish them here in the newsletter.

Already as a result of the demand shown by our farm share program this winter, more local vegetables will be grown and distributed locally next winter! Full Bloom Farm, a neighboring farm and source of Celeriac, Rosemary and Thyme for the share this winter, is including Organic Potatoes, Onions, Celeriac and Storage Beet as additions to their crop plan this season! Full Bloom is one of the only area Organic farms we work closely with that has access to significant storage space for winter crops. How will this alter next winter's share? Well, this winter the beets in the share were from Vermont, or Florida or Canada; Potatoes were from North Carolina, and Onions were often local but conventional. Now each of these items will be added to the share from a local, and organic source. We can all look forward to further decrease in food miles traveled for these crops next winter!

Please let your friends and family know that shares are available for the '09 season. With some winter share members leaving us for the summer, we have shares available. We will be taking rolling signups this spring for all drop sites, but some sites will fill sooner than others.

If you have been a member over the winter and would like to return next winter, we are offering to hold spots for existing customers, for a '09/'10 November-May winter share. If you are interested in making a deposit to hold a space for next winter, please email Jordan at farmshare@enterpriseproduce.com.

Thank You,

Farmer Benneth (for Dave, Family and Crew)

'09 FARM SHARE

Enterprise Farm is accepting new members for all drop sites: Whately, Somerville, Arlington, Dedham, Jamaica Plain, and Fort Point.

Certified Organic Vegetables, Whately, MA
Please spread the word!



One of six lettuce plantings in the greenhouses so far this season.

ITEMS IN THIS WEEK'S SHARE

All items in this week's share are organic, except for the onions, which are from a local conventional farm, and the apples which are local low spray/IPM. Shares may differ depending on whether you have a large or small share, and whether you pick up at the farm or in the Metro Boston area.

Onions: Long Plain Farm, Whately, MA (conventional)
Sweet Potatoes (Beauregard, Ruby) Watauga Farm, NC
Carrots: Deep Root, Quebec
Celeriac, Full Bloom Farm, Whately, MA
Zucchini, Summer Squash: Alderman, FL
Cucumbers, Peace River, FL
Tomatoes, Good and Ugly, VT (greenhouse)
Spinach, Equinox Farm, Sheffield, MA (greenhouse)
Dandelion: Lady Moon, FL
Cabbage: Hollard and Green, FL
Kale (Dino, Green and Red): Lady Moon, FL
Swiss Chard: Lady Moon, FL
Lettuce: Lady Moon Farm, FL
Green Bell Peppers: Alderman, FL
Apples, Macintosh, Pine Hill Orchard, Colrain, MA
Citrus (Red Valencia and Grapefruit): Eagle's Nest, FL