

# Middleton Farm CSA

## Newsletter

### What you can expect in this weeks share

...not a darn thing. Egg shares will continue to be distributed until the markets end. See website for details!

Thanks for a great season!



### Spotlight: Newsletters!

By now, you are probably used to seeing a Middleton Farm Newsletter in your inbox once a week. Now that the growing season is over, the newsletters will be less frequent.

However, we don't want you to go into withdrawals from quitting cold turkey so the mailings will be sent once a month from October until around May. Weekly newsletters will resume the week before the harvest shares start to be delivered.

You can also look for the most up to date information regarding the

farm on the website! We enjoy sending these mailings to anyone interested but for any reason you can opt out of receiving the newsletter by sending an email to [sitemanager@middletonfarmcsa.com](mailto:sitemanager@middletonfarmcsa.com) and letting your wishes be known.

If you have any ideas you would like implemented on the website or in the newsletters, we would love to hear from you! Feedback is always appreciated!

### You may have wondered...

What will we have next year?

This year the season did pretty well considering the late start. Rainy weather fought our planting attempt and the high heat damaged some crops. Added to that were a few thunderstorms and some pesky creatures. Because of these things, the crop list posted on the website could not be 100% accurate. However, it is still a good representation of what is attempted to achieve in the season.

Next year, we will be incorporating other farmers to increase production as well as allow us to specialize in those vegetables that we do well. However, we are in need of feedback as to what plants may be of more use or what foods may be of more interest.

While every request cannot be accommodated, the information may help determine the direction the crop list may take.

Look for the 2012 crop list on the website in February.



### Over the winter...

During the winter months, we continue to be looking after the livestock on our farm. The cattle, chickens and turkeys are all doing well and are looking forward to some cooler months.

Keep an eye on the website for updates on the meat offerings in the store!

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### Wanted!

Keep us in mind during the winter months!

**Egg cartons** - it would be great if those who have extra cartons would recycle them back into the farm. We appreciate those of you who did bring back cartons to be refilled!

**Refrigerator** - If you happen to be remodeling or know of someone who is doing a kitchen rehab and is looking to donate their fridge, consider us! Currently there is a need for a fridge and/or freezer that has at least 18 cu. ft. for storage.

**Working Share Members** - Currently we have a few more working shares available and would like to have them filled before the next crop comes in.

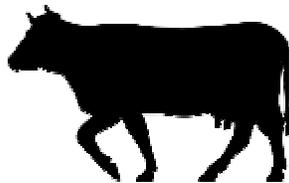
**Charities** - Last year we donated 2000lbs (1 ton) of food to charity and are interested helping more! If you **belong** to a charity

with a food pantry or have a very active volunteer group willing to work, please let us know!

**Feedback** - We would appreciate any comments, questions, complaints or suggestions. Let us know how the harvest share went this year for you and if you have any ideas to make it better!

**Notification!** - If you plan on coming back next year, please let Matt Middleton know! If you haven't notified Matt of your returning membership for next year, **you will lose your spot!** Oct 15<sup>th</sup> is the deadline! See the website for more details.

Thanks for your help in filling these needs!



### Bulls and Cows

When traveling with the kids, it is often a puzzle as to how to keep them busy. So on your next trip to the farmer's market, try this game on for size!

This game is played with two people and all you need is a paper and pen! Each person has to choose a 'secret' number containing four digits that differ. Next each person takes a turn at guessing the other's number. When a number is in the correct position it is considered a 'bull' but if the correct number is in the wrong position they are considered 'cows'.

So Player 1 chooses the 'secret' number of 1537 and the second player then guesses 1234, this means there are two bulls and no cows. Suppose the next guess is 1235, there are now two bulls and one cow. The game continues until someone's 'secret' number is revealed.

Since the person with the first guess has an advantage, they usually go second in the next round.

Consider this game the 'Master Mind' of the farm!

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