

### Welcome to the 2017 season!

Thank you for your interest in supporting Towne's Harvest Garden! THG is MSU's 3-acre, certified organic campus farm. 2017 will mark our 11<sup>th</sup> growing season, and we are looking forward to a field full of crops, teaching growing principles to the next generation of farmers, and your involvement!

### What is a CSA?

A CSA (community supported agriculture) membership is a mutually beneficial relationship between small farms and community members. A member helps support a farm in the beginning of the season when funds are low by paying upfront for a summer's worth of produce. The farm is then able to financially sustain itself in the early season through harvest. As a member, you will receive a weekly supply of certified organic vegetables from our farm, advice during distribution, online newsletters, recipe suggestions, and as much enthusiasm as the farm managers and interns can offer!



### How it works!

This year we will continue offering some new and old options from last season. If you have any questions, recommendations, or need assistance filling out your member agreement, don't hesitate to contact THG's **Marketing Manager** @ townesharvet@gmail.com (Allison Milodragovich @ 406-925-3858 or Dylan Fishman after May 31st @ 847-409-5567).

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# **CSA Membership Options**

**All members** – Along with your weekly organic vegetables, we will provide you with a THG reusable bag your first visit, which we will ask you to bring back each week to carry your vegetables home in. We will also send you a weekly, online newsletter describing your share of the harvest and recipes to help utilize your veggies! Each week vou will come to our farm and pick out the individual bundle of each item we have to offer, while our farm workers assist you with recommendation on how to use the vegetables. Finally, you will be respected and shown a season's worth of gratitude for supporting Towne's Harvest Garden through yet another year!

**Spring Greens Share** (6 weeks May 24<sup>th</sup>-June 28<sup>th</sup>- *Wed. farm pickup 4-6:30pm*) Limited Supply - only 30 shares available! This share provides 30 lucky members with pre-season produce! A variety of greens and early roots will fill your refrigerator drawers each week, herbs, and any

additional early season vegetables and fruits that we are able to offer. Start your summer off right!

**Summer Share** (14 weeks July 5<sup>th</sup> -October 11<sup>th</sup> - Wednesday farm pickup 4-6:30pm)

\$385

This is our normal summertime share, which will include all of the crops we have planted, with more variety as summer progresses! Each week you will visit the farm and pick out your specific bundle of vegetables in our barn, supplying produce for an average family of 2-4 people. Knowledgeable MSU students and interns will be there to answer all of your questions.

Summer Share Convenience Option (14 weeks July 6th -Oct 12th Thursday 3-6pm MSU campus pickup outside the SUB, by the Noodle on 7th and Grant) \$415

This option provides the same produce as our Summer Share, but is delivered to the MSU campus for those who cannot get away or have busy Wednesday night schedules. The increased price represents additional time, fuel and packaging costs associated with the drop-off. Contact the Marketing Manager to determine if additional accommodations can be made.

**Student Summer CSA Share** (14 weeks July 5<sup>th</sup>-October 11<sup>th</sup>- Wed. farm pickup 4-6:30pm)

\$300 *Limited to the First 20 Students* 

This discounted share is designated for STUDENTS ONLY. A current student ID is required. This is similar to the Summer Share, but sized for student budgets. As students, this share may be split among housemates to further reduce costs. We sincerely wish to increase student veggie consumption, so tell all the students you know!

• **Full Season Share** (20 weeks May 24<sup>th</sup> -Oct 11<sup>th</sup> - *Wednesday farm pickup 4-6:30pm*)

\$540 (\$10 discount!)

This share combines the Spring Greens Share and Summer Share, along with a discount.

• Full Season Convenience Share (20 weeks May 25<sup>th</sup> to October 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday 3-6pm MSU campus pickup outside the SUB, by the Noodle on 7<sup>th</sup> and Grant) \$580 (\$10 discount).

This is a combination of our Spring and Summer Shares, but delivered to campus. Actually, the first 7 weeks will be delivered *right to your office*! After that, you can join us at the Campus Farm Stand on Thursdays to pick up the remaining shares.

• **Garden Starter** (One time pickup – June 1<sup>st</sup>– at the farm) \$60 Limited Supply – only 30 shares available!

We are continuing this package from last year, with some revisions. We will provide ~20 valuable transplants along with ~10 packages of seeds. There will be enough starts and seeds to fill a plot of land or raised bed area of approximately 10'x16'. Included will be instructions on how your garden. Transplants for 2017 Garden Starter will include all of the following :Tomatoes: 1 Heirloom, 2 Hybrid, 2 Cherries, 2 Bell Peppers, 1 Hot Pepper, Broccoli, Green Cabbage, Red Cabbage, 2 varieties of Kale, Zucchini, Yellow Summer Squash, 1 Slicing Cucumber, 1 Pickling Cucumber, Chard, Acorn and Delicata Winter squash, and Walla Walla Onion.Starts will be hardened off and ready to plant, weather permitting! All seeds, starts and soil are certified organic.

 Harvest Bucks (redeemable at any Campus Farm Stand) \$50, \$100, or \$200 options.

This share option is for those of you that want to invest and support farmers, but have busy summer schedule or travel a lot. This option allows you to buy gift certificates (harvest bucks) ahead of time to use at the Campus Farm Stand. You will receive a 10% value addition for each dollar you purchase, for example: purchase a \$50 in Harvest Bucks and receive \$55 to use at any or as many Campus Farm Stand as you chose.

Donations (donation checks may be post-dated)

For every \$25 you donate to support THG, you will receive \$5 in THG Market Bucks, eligible for redemption at any of our farm stand markets.

Donors offering \$100 will also receive a THG hat of their choice, along with \$20 in market bucks. Tax-deductible donations can be made through the MSU Alumni Foundation. Contact Sofie Malinowski: <a href="mailto:sofie.malinowski@msuaf.org">sofie.malinowski@msuaf.org</a>.

• Additional late season and storage shares will be offered towards the end of the season, depending on availability and productivity. Check back with THG if you are interested later in the season.

# West College Avenue Chronicle Building West Garfield Avenue MSU Horticulture Farm Miller Pavilion Parking Lot (Dirt Road) West College Avenue Technology Park Technology Park Technology Park MONTANA SEATE UNIVERSITY to campus

**Directions:** From Main St. turn south on 19th Ave, turn right on Garfield, turn left at the MSU Horticulture sign, drive down the dirt road and Towne's Harvest Garden is on the left. CSA pick up is in the big building.

## **Spring Greens Share**

6 weeks May 24<sup>th</sup>-June 28<sup>th</sup> Wednesday farm pickup 4-6:30pm

### **Summer Share**

14 weeks July 5<sup>th</sup> -October 11<sup>th</sup> Wednesday farm pickup 4-6:30pm

### **Full Season Share**

20 weeks May 24-October 11 Wednesday farm pickup 4-6:30pm

# **Garden Starter Package**

June 1st farm pickup

### Summer Share - Convenience

14 weeks July 6<sup>th</sup> to October 12<sup>th</sup> Thursday campus pickup 3-6pm

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### ♦ 2 Campus Farm Stand

For the remainder of your vegetable needs visit our farm stand on Thursdays from 3-6pm, Dates TBD. Location is south of the MSU SUB, at the entrance of the bus loop on 7<sup>th</sup> and Grant.

| Member Agreement Application   |
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| Name(s):   |
| Address:   |
| Phone:   |
| e-mail (please print legibly): Include all emails to which the weekly newsletter should be sent.   |
| Have you been a CSA member before? Where?  |
| Please select which options you wish to support.   |
| [ ] Full Season Share - \$540  |
| [ ] Spring Greens Share - \$165  |
| [ ] Summer Share - \$385   |
| [ ] Summer Share Convenience Option - \$415  |
| [ ] Full Season Convenience Option - \$580   |
| [ ] STUDENTS ONLY Summer Share - \$300   |
| [ ] Garden Starter - \$55  |
| [ ] Donation (indicate amount) - \$  |
| [ ] Harvest bucks- \$50, \$100, \$200 (circle amount)  |
| Please enclose application and check payable to Towne's Harvest Garden Montana State University 328 Reid Hall Bozeman, MT 59717  |
| Or sign up and pay online via @ http://townesharvest.montana.edu/communitysupportedag/   |
| Additional questions and concerns: THG Marketing Manager townes.harvest@gmail.com Allison 406-925-3858 or Dylan Fishman @ 847-409-5567 after May 31st.                                   |
| Member understands and agrees that the harvest may vary dramatically from week to week due to weather, pest control, and many other factors which affect plant growth and development.   |
| Member further understands that although Towne's Harvest Garden will use its best efforts to grow and harvest produce, it does not guarantee any harvest whatsoever at the garden during |
| any of the stated weeks. Member further understands and agrees that the share payment is   |
| non-refundable regardless of actual production. Member also understands and agrees that while  |
| Towne's Harvest Garden is associated with MSU, Montana State University has no responsibility for the garden and makes no representations whatsoever as to the quantity or quality of    |
| production at the garden.  |
| MemberDate   |