



COMMUNITY SUPPORTED GARDEN AT LA VISTA ☀ 2008 SEASON

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) consists of a community of individuals who pledge support to a farm operation so that the farmland becomes, either legally or spiritually, the community's farm, with the growers and consumers providing mutual support and sharing the risks and benefits of food production. Members or shareholders of the farm or garden pledge in advance to cover the anticipated costs of the farm operation and farmer's salary. In return, they receive shares in the farm's bounty throughout the growing season, as well as satisfaction gained from reconnecting to the land. Members also share in risks, including poor harvest due to unfavorable weather or pests. — *USDA definition*

REGULAR SEASON

mid-May to mid-November

Full Share - \$525

pickup every week

Alternate Share - \$300

pickup on alternate weeks

EARLY SEASON

starts early April

Spring Greens Share - \$30

Shares: On average, each weekly distribution provides a vegetable-loving diet for two adults or a vegetable-supplemented diet for a family of four.

Regular Season Shares are distributed from approximately mid-May through mid-November.

Early Season Spring Greens Shares are available in limited quantity for a separate fee *and are only offered to Regular Season Members*. Enjoy one pound of spring greens each week during the five week early season.

Payment may be made in full when submitting the Shareholder Agreement / Volunteer Interest Survey. Or, two equal payments can be sent, *the first due by December 1, 2007 and the second due by February 15, 2008*. Upon request, other payment arrangements will be considered.

Community: Shareholders are encouraged to participate in the Garden community by volunteering three or more hours each month and by attending Shareholder Gatherings and Celebrations. A wide variety of volunteer work is needed, year-round, to maintain the low price of fresh, sustainably and locally grown produce.

Responsibility: Each Shareholder is a member of the community supported garden and agrees to act in a manner that is just and kind to the land, other members, and all creation when on the **La Vista** property. Each member benefits from the bounty of the garden, and also shares in the risks of each growing season.

Charity: The Garden is not-for-profit. Ten shares are offered, based on need, at a significantly reduced price. Additionally, all excess produce is donated to the local food pantry.

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED GARDEN AT LA VISTA 2008 SHAREHOLDER APPLICATION AND AGREEMENT

MEMBER 1			
First Name		Address	
Last Name		City	
Phone		State	
Email		Zip	

I agree that my name, phone, email and zip can be included in a member directory. YES NO

If "sharing a share" please include full member info for each household -use reverse side

MEMBER 2			
First Name		Address	
Last Name		City	
Phone		State	
Email		Zip	

I agree that my name, phone, email and zip can be included in a member directory. YES NO

SHARES REQUESTED	AMOUNT
Regular Season (<i>select one</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ FULL Share - \$525 - <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Weekly pick-up</i> ◆ ALTERNATE Share - \$300 - <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate week pick-up</i> 	MEMBERS WHO "SHARE A SHARE" SHOULD SEND ONLY ONE CHECK BETWEEN THEM FOR EACH PAYMENT
Early Season (<i>available only to Regular Season Shareholders</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ SPRING GREENS Share - \$30 - <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Five weeks pre-season</i> 	
Additional contribution (TAX DEDUCTIBLE AS 501c3 CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION)	
1 st payment due 12/1/2007 2 nd payment due 2/15/2008	TOTAL DUE
Complete BOTH sides of application and send ONE check to: CSG at La Vista 4350 Levis Ln, Godfrey, IL 62035	AMOUNT ENCLOSED
	BALANCE DUE

PICK-UP PREFERENCE (<i>select one</i>)	<input type="checkbox"/> Tuesdays Noon to 7pm
<input type="checkbox"/> No preference	<input type="checkbox"/> Fridays 2pm to 7pm

Statement of Shareholder Agreement

I wish to become a member of the Community Supported Garden at La Vista by sharing the economic responsibilities as well as the bounty of produce from this farm. I understand that the farmer is committed to using sustainable growing methods and that unforeseen crop difficulties may reduce the harvest. I understand that as a Shareholder, I am a participant in this community supported effort.

Signature Member 1: _____ Date: _____

Signature Member 2: _____ Date: _____

2008 VOLUNTEER INTEREST SURVEY

COMMUNITY SUPPORTED GARDEN AT LA VISTA

Garden shareholders are encouraged to volunteer three or more hours per month to support the work of the Garden.

If you are unable to donate time, please consider making an additional monetary contribution.

*Please complete this Volunteer Interest Survey and return it with your Shareholder Application.
Check the areas for which you have interest and skill to contribute to the Garden.*

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| <p><input type="checkbox"/> CELEBRATIONS & GATHERINGS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plan Shareholder get-togethers ◆ Help set-up before and clean-up after <p><input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Phone non-email members ◆ Write/edit/email Garden News ◆ Maintain bulletin boards in Distribution area ◆ Create posters advertising events ◆ Print weekly farmer Newsletter ◆ Write/edit/print Shareholder Manual <p><input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY OUTREACH</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Promote outreach shares ◆ Review outreach applications ◆ Liaison with outreach members ◆ Liaison with Crisis Food Bank <p><input type="checkbox"/> CORE GROUP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ General oversight and guidance ◆ Supervise farmer ◆ Develop and implement policies ◆ Authorize hirings and expenditures <p><input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Arrange programs for members ◆ Research prices of sustainably grown produce ◆ Create informative labels for produce <p><input type="checkbox"/> FIELD WORK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Planting, Weeding, Harvesting <p><input type="checkbox"/> FINANCE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Develop and oversee budget ◆ Maintain records of incoming checks ◆ Deposit checks ◆ Pay bills <p><input type="checkbox"/> GARDEN BEAUTIFICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Plan and implement garden beautification around Distribution Ctr and U-Pick areas | <p><input type="checkbox"/> GRANT WRITING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Research and write grants <p><input type="checkbox"/> GREETER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Welcome and assist shareholders during weekly distribution <p><input type="checkbox"/> INFRASTRUCTURE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Equipment repair ◆ Machine maintenance ◆ Electrical support, Carpentry ◆ Fence maintenance <p><input type="checkbox"/> MEMBERSHIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Process shareholder applications ◆ Maintain online membership list <p><input type="checkbox"/> PUBLICITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Arrange speaking engagements ◆ Create and distribute CSG literature ◆ Attend events and staff CSG booth ◆ Contact local press and media ◆ Fundraising <p><input type="checkbox"/> TECHNOLOGY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Web site maintenance (Net Fusion) ◆ Email list maintenance ◆ Database development ◆ Photography at garden events (digital) <p><input type="checkbox"/> VOLUNTEERS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Coordinate volunteers for work days ◆ Manage greeters for distribution days ◆ Make reminder calls to greeters ◆ Assist in coordinating volunteers for other garden jobs <p><input type="checkbox"/> OTHER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ I would like to discuss volunteer work not listed here (Please describe) <hr style="border: 0.5px solid black;"/> |
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How did you hear about the Garden?

___from a friend ___newspaper ___radio ___TV ___other (describe)_____

How many years have you been a member of the Garden? ___