PLGCSA
PROSPECT LEFFERTS GARDENS
COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE

FINAL DEADLINE/FULL PAYMENT
SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017
IF YOU ARE PAYING IN TWO INSTALLMENTS, YOUR FIRST PAYMENT IS DUE BY SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017

Summer 2017 Member Information and Registration

PLEASE READ

Prospect Lefferts Gardens Community Supported Agriculture (PLGCSA) is excited that you are joining this food community! We welcome questions and/or comments. Please feel free to email board@plgcsa.org or leave a message at 347-823-1076.

CSA SHARE TYPES

Vegetables: Single and Double

Fruit: Single and Double

Eggs: Half dozen and full dozen

A double share is twice the amount of a single (at a slight discount). A single share will easily feed 2 people and a double will feed 4 people depending on your household. Read more about our farmers and a sample share list and quantities on page 2.

2017 CSA SEASON AND COST

Season Length: 22 weeks

Pickup: Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Dates: June 3 to October 28.

VEGETABLE SINGLE SHARE: $345 ($15.68/week)

VEGETABLE DOUBLE SHARE: $640 ($29.09/week)

Members may split double shares with other households but should find their own partner and may ONLY SIGN IN ONCE for pick up.

You must be a vegetable share member in order to purchase additional share products such as fruit and/or eggs (see page 2).

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.PLGCSA.ORG or SUBMIT PAPER FORM

DISTRIBUTION AND PICKUP

CSA pickup occurs on **SATURDAY MORNINGS**, from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Maple Street School on Lincoln Road. The CSA works cooperatively and depends soley on the membership to help set up, oversee, and break down distribution each week. Each distribution will be broken into two shift times and **each membership (regardless of share size) is required to work two shifts (approximately 2 hours each) over the 22 week season.** If you have physical issues which prevent you or a member of your household from working a shift, let us know. If you do not work your required shifts, you will not be allowed to rejoin for one (1) full year.

Members are trained on site and supervised by site coordinators. You will receive a reminder email with written instructions to review. We will have events such as farm trips during the season.

COMMUNICATION

The CSA communicates primarily by email. We will be experimenting with texting this year. ALL members of a share will be automatically added to lists run by PLG CSA and by the Farm at Miller's Crossing. This is critical for communication and effective operations. Please provide contact information on the registration form.

PRINT CLEARLY OR YOU WILL MISS OUT ON REMINDERS!

CONTACT US

For questions or more info, please email:
board@plgcsa.org or call 347-823-1076

PAYMENTS AND DEADLINES

You can pay in full or pay in two installments. If you choose to pay in installements, your **first payment is due Sunday, April 16, 2017. ALL full payments and balances are due by Sunday, May 14, 2017.**

We cannot accept late registrations as the farmer needs to know share numbers.

INCOME-BASED SUBSIDIES FOR VEGETABLE SHARES ONLY

The CSA is committed to ensuring that ALL can join regardless of income! A **limited number of subsidies for vegetable shares only** are available. Subsidies are based on income level and household number and are self-reported (honesty is the key!) and on a first-come, first-served basis. See the income tiers below for pricing. *Your information will be kept confidential.* **If you still think you can't afford the CSA, please contact us to work something out.**

TOTAL NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN HOUSEHOLD & GROSS INCOME(S)

1	2	3	4
Below $20,000	Below $29,200	Below $36,600	Below $44,100
$20,000-$35,000	$29,200-$41,175	$36,600-$50,000	$44,100-$63,600
$35,000-$45,000	$41,175-$53,000	$50,000-$64,290	$63,600-$80,000
Above $45,000	Above $53,000	Above $64,290	Above $80,000

SHARE PRICE

TIER	SINGLE	DOUBLE
1	$160	$390
2	$220	$440
3	$295	$530
4	$345	$640

KEEP THIS PAGE FOR YOUR INFORMATION!

SHARE PRODUCTS

Prospect Lefferts Gardens Community Supported Agriculture (PLG CSA) is excited to offer these products! Pickup for all items unless noted will be on Saturday mornings during regular distribution times. The cost of shares is for 22 weeks, from June 3 to October 28.

VEGETABLES:
THE FARM AT MILLER'S CROSSING

farmatmillerscrossing.com

PLG CSA's vegetable share farmer is The Farm at Miller's Crossing, a **certified organic, family-owned and operated** farm located in Hudson, NY. On the farm's 200 acres, Chris and Katie Smith grow over 30 varieties of vegetables, raise a small herd of grass-fed cows and produce maple syrup. Miller's Crossing sells its products wholesale and also have other established CSA partnerships in the NYC, including our neighboring CSAs, Flatbush Farm Share (Flatbush) and Greene Harvest CSA (Fort Greene).

You must purchase a vegetable share in order to purchase additional products.

2016 SHARE EXAMPLES

Examples of actual single share amounts (double shares are *twice the amount*). Non-weight amounts (bunches) are comparable to grocery store sizing.

SINGLE SHARE: $345 ($15.68/week)

DOUBLE SHARE: $640 ($29.09/week)

June 27: Single Share
1 bunch beets
1/4# garlic scapes
1 bunch arugula
1 bunch kale
1 bunch radishes
1/2# shell peas
1 head lettuce

August 26: Single Share
1# carrots
2 peppers
1 head garlic
1 bunch dill
1 cantaloupe
3 ears corn
1.5 pound tomatoes
1 bunch chard

ADDITIONAL PRODUCTS

You must purchase a vegetable share in order to qualify for these additional products. Except for coffee, which is a la carte, all additional shares must be paid in advance (see form on next page).

FRUIT: 20 WEEKS
SAMASCOTT ORCHARD

www.samascott.com

Samascott Orchards is a family-owned and -operated farm that started in the early 1900's in Kinderhook, New York. Initially a dairy operation, the farm became an orchard in the 1960s. Currently, they produce over 72 varieties of apples, with hundreds of varieties of fruits, vegetables, and mixed livestock on 1,000 acres of land. Samascott does not grow any GMOs and they grow with the least possible disruption to agro-ecosystems and encourage natural pest control. They do not use any pesticides unnecessarily, although use of preventative fungicides are used for keeping plants free of diseases. Whenever possible they plant disease resistant varieties. The farm is currently operated by the 4th generation of family members who continue to keep the farm, our land and our practices, healthy and safe for future generations.

Because this is a New York State farmer, expect a lot of apples, pears and other fruits appropriate for the season and the region.

Sample Fruit Single Shares:
Late June: 1 qt. strawberries
Summer: 2 lbs peaches, 2 lbs apples

Late Summer/Fall: 4 lbs of mixed Apples and/or pears (over 70 varieties including Golden Russet, Mutsu, Honeycrisp, Empire, Macoun, and Bartlett, asian pears, etc.)

SINGLE SHARE: $150 ($7.50/week)

DOUBLE SHARE: $300 ($15.00/week)

EGGS: 22 WEEKS
SUNSET FARM

Sunset Farm is a small family owned farm located in Argyle, NY. They raise chicken for meat and eggs. Sunset Farm is committed to raising quality, all-natural meat products and eggs that have no hormones or by-products. Their hens are cage-free and pastured in the spring, summer and fall months. All feed for birds have no soy, growth hormones, antibiotics or animal bi-products. This helps produce eggs that have a nice golden yolk.

ONE DOZEN: $103 ($4.68/week).

HALF DOZEN: $52 ($2.36/week).

COFFEE: MONTHLY
DEAN'S BEANS

www.deansbeans.com

PLG CSA uses Dean's Beans, a Massachusetts-based, family-owned, fair trade, certified organic, and kosher coffee roaster that supports social change and works with and funds development projects in villages where they buy their beans. They recycle and compost their waste and run 65% on solar power.

Coffee orders are monthly, a la carte (optional) and are available in per pound or five pound bags. Emails are sent to all members when coffee orders are being accepted.

Coffee is packaged in *compostable bags* with an airlock. Orders placed by the deadline are available for pickup at Saturday's distribution.

See the website at www.plgcsa.org/coffee for pricing and schedule. Generally, regular whole bean non-flavored coffee costs about $8.50 per pound.

Orders are year-round.

REGISTER ONLINE AT WWW.PLGCSA.ORG

PLEASE FILL OUT BOTH SIDES OF THIS FORM AND ENCLOSE WITH YOUR CHECK. PRINT CLEARLY PLEASE!!!!

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PLEASE CHECK ONE: ◯ NEW MEMBER ◯ FORMER PLG CSA MEMBER

PRIMARY SHARE NAME(S) .....

STREET/APT. .....

ZIP .....

MAIN PHONE .....

EMAIL .....

NAME(S) .....

STREET/APT. .....

ZIP .....

MAIN PHONE .....

EMAIL .....

SHARES ALL SHARE COSTS ARE FOR 22 WEEKS (JUNE 3 THROUGH OCTOBER 28)

VEGETABLE SHARE	COST	#	SUBTOTAL
Single*	$345		
Double*	$640		
FRUIT			
Single	$150		
Double	$300		
EGGS			
Dozen	$103		
Half Dozen	$52		
CSA MARKET BAG	$10		
LOW INCOME DONATION			
		GRAND TOTAL	

*Share price includes an administrative fee to cover supplies, etc.

BUY A PLG CSA MARKET TOTE! $10

These bags are 18"w x 13"h x 6"d and are perfect for a single share. They have a 25" webbing handle and are made from 100% recycled bottles and food containers. People love them for their CSA and for all-around use. They last forever, they are super strong, and stay clean! You won't regret it!

Please make checks payable to PROSPECT LEFFERTS GARDENS CSA.
Mail or drop off your form with deposit or full payment to:

PLG CSA
c/o Karen Oh
270 Sterling Street
Brooklyn 11225
Make sure you write your name and "PLG CSA" on the envelope!
If you are going to drop it off: address is between Rogers and Nostrand. Please put it through the mail slot.

PAYMENT

IF YOU WANT TO PAY IN INSTALLMENTS, YOUR FORM WITH FIRST PAYMENT IS DUE BY SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017. FINAL DEADLINE IS MAY 14! PLEASE CHECK ONE OPTION.

◯ **FULL PAYMENT enclosed (Final Deadline: May 14)**

◯ **INSTALLMENT PLAN**
Form and Deposit
Second Payment

PAYMENT PLAN DEADLINES
SUNDAY, APRIL 16
SUNDAY, MAY 14

HOW TO DETERMINE YOUR INSTALLMENT AMOUNTS:
1. Divide your **Grand Total** by 2.
2. Round up to the nearest dollar for the first payment and the balance is your second payment.

PAYMENT OPTIONS (CHECK ONLY ONE)

◯ **I'VE ENCLOSED A PAPER CHECK.**

◯ **ELECTRONICALLY** We use Venmo and PayPal for electronic payment. If you use PayPal, you must pay the transaction fee. Enter the email address to which we can send a payment request. You can also send to **payments@plgcsa.org**.

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FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: _____RECD _____DE _____PROOFED _____CONFIRM SENT PAYMENT TYPE: CHECK #_____ EPAY SENT_____ RECD_____

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YOU MUST FILL THIS PAGE OUT! Please read and sign.

2017 CSA AGREEMENT

DEADLINE FOR FIRST INSTALLMENT: SUNDAY, APRIL 16, 2017. FINAL REGISTRATION/PAYMENT DEADLINE: SUNDAY, MAY 14, 2017!

This form and my enclosed payment confirm my agreement to become a member in the Prospect Lefferts Gardens Community Supported Agriculture (PLG CSA) for the 2017 season. I will pick up my share at Maple Street School for 22 weeks on Saturdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. from June 3 to October 28. If I am unable to pick up, I will arrange for someone else to pick up my share, or my share will be donated. I understand there are *no refunds* for missed shares or if I choose to leave the CSA for whatever reason. If I must leave the CSA, I will be responsible for selling or donating the remainder of my own share.

I understand that I am obligated as a member of the PLG CSA to commit to working an assigned distribution shift at least two times (2) during the season (approximately 2 hours each shift) and to join the PLG CSA listservs. Accordingly, I understand that if I fail to fulfill my full work commitment, I will not be permitted to rejoin the CSA for the subsequent season.

I understand that CSA involves sharing the rewards and risks (e.g. crop failure, poor weather, early winter, etc.) with our farmer. I understand that my share may vary from week to week and that there is no guarantee on the exact amount or contents of my share. The shares will vary in weight and size depending on the time of season.

I agree not to hold PLG CSA or anyone acting on its behalf, including any agents, officers, volunteers, or employees, responsible for any and all damages and/or costs resulting from injuries sustained as a result of any carelessness or negligence by any person while engaged in any event or activity, including but not limited to the weekly distribution, farm visits, or any event or activity that is sponsored, held, or coordinated by PLG CSA. I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless PLG CSA and/or the Maple Street School against all claims, including, without limitation, third party claims, demands, recoveries and deficiencies suffered, incurred or sustained by PLG CSA and/or the Maple Street School which arise out of my negligence, gross negligence, and/or willful misconduct while engaged in any event or activity, including but not limited to the weekly distribution, farm visits, or any event or activity that is sponsored, held, or coordinated by PLG CSA.

By participating in PLG CSA, I'm bringing healthy local organic food to my neighborhood, supporting local and alternative agriculture, building community and making Prospect Lefferts Gardens a great place to live!

I have read this agreement and agree to its terms.

PRIMARY MEMBER .....

SECONDARY MEMBER .....

DATE .....

ADDITIONAL MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION PRINT CLEARLY!!!!

List the names of ANY OTHER people who will need to be informed of CSA information such as start dates, changes in the CSA, share pick-up assistance or any critical information. Check the box if you want to receive the newsletter from the farmer.

CONTACT .....

PHONE .....

EMAIL .....

☐ YES, I want to receive The Farm at Miller's Crossing's newsletter

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GET INVOLVED!

PLGCSA is run by a core group of dedicated volunteers. We always need more volunteers to keep the CSA running smoothly. If you would like to get involved, please write your name and the area(s) you are interested in. **Currently, we need members who are interested in coordinating a farm trip and a fundraising event to build our sliding scale share program.**

NAME(S)/CONTACT INFO: .....

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◯ Events/Fundraising
◯ Outreach
◯ Membership
◯ Distribution
◯ Communications