

Moondog's Farm Collective

2018 Moondog's Crew

Information and Application



Introduction

Moondog's is a farm, community, and budding cooperative. Our lifestyle is organized around our food. We embrace the rhythm of farm labor, we love working together, and we especially love eating together.

Our mission is simple: to grow the best food we can for — and with — our community. An integral part of growing great food is preserving natural systems which we depend on, and working to regenerate ecosystems that have been disrupted by human activities. Moondog's works to reconnect people to food and land.

Moondog's Membership Goals for 2018

In 2018, we are hoping to feed approximately 30 household memberships (About half of these households will be contributing money, like a typical CSA member). Fresh vegetables will be available at our new farmstand on Walnut on Fridays and Mondays, or by delivery. Members will receive a weekly product list and pre-order their groceries. Or, members can choose to receive a weekly "farmer's choice" box and get a little of everything we think is great.

Moondog's Crew is a team of members that plant, cultivate, harvest, process, pack, and distribute food to members and other customers. To join the crew, members must be qualified, attend a training, show up when scheduled, and be able to contribute to a strong team. Labor that crew members contribute is redeemable as credit for any farm products. Crew members must be able to work efficiently and take direction from farm managers.

Basics

- Submit membership application to moondogsmembership@gmail.com (confirm address). The membership circle will review your application and let you know once you have been accepted.
- Crew members make an annual \$100 membership contribution.
- Crew members get a 5% discount on all farm products.
- Crew members work a minimum of 100 hours a year (approximately 16/hr/month).
- For each hour of work, crew members receive \$10 food credit.
- Members are invited to farm tours and parties, get discounts to farm-table events, tastings, and extra special shenanigans.
- Vote in annual elections or support your co-op by participating in cooperative governance.

Are Collective Members part of a cooperative?

The first formal step in creating a state-recognized cooperative is to create a steering committee. In February 2018, Moondog's Farm members officially formalized a steering committee. After walking through the process of writing bylaws and articles of incorporation, the steering committee can register the cooperative as a legal entity. This process may be finished by the end of the 2018 season.

Individuals that join Moondog's Farm membership program will also become member-owners of the cooperative, upon its formalization. By charter, cooperatives exist to serve their members, are member-owned, and democratically run by a committee of members who are elected at annual meetings of the membership.

Details about this year's crew structure.

This all started with homestead-scale crops, grown collectively. For several years, this community practiced growing storage food, and dividing it according to need or time spent on the project. Always looking to improve what we do, this year's crew program incorporates the following considerations and changes.

- Not all members have the same harvest desires. With a free-choice, pre-order system, members receive exactly the groceries that they want and will use.
- Members can also place "fill-your-pantry" style orders for storage goods like boxes of onions, potatoes, winter squash, or preserved foods like pesto and roasted peppers.
- A schedule will be posted well in advance, allowing members to sign-up for shifts (10 – 4 on Wednesday, 2 – 7 Friday). While start times may vary over the season due to weather, we will have a consistent weekly schedule. For instance, Wednesdays and Saturdays will be field days. Fridays are distribution. Farm schedule will be created with consideration of members schedules', within reason.
- In order to translate labor into food, we are attaching a \$10 value to a crew hour.



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Crop Share Information for Crew



Join our flexible farm membership program!



1. As you work, your farm account balance will grow.

Crew members receive 5% off of retail.

2. Pre-order exactly what you want using our online farm store

OR choose to receive a farmer's choice box [\$15 or \$25 value]

3. Pick up your share on Fridays, Mondays, or opt for delivery!

Close-in delivery \$60/year (within 2 mile radius of farmstand)

Delivery within greater Eugene \$110/year

What we grow:

Organic produce grown and harvested with flavor in mind

Sauerkraut, pickles, sauces, sweets, roasted peppers

Future offerings include fruit, meat, and meals

June / Early July	Late July / August	August / September / October
snap peas, beets, lettuce, radish, spinach, braising mix, salad mix, scallions, raab, chard, mustards, filet beans, cabbage, celery, cucumbers, collard, kale,	Filet beans, broccoli raab, carrot, chard, collard, cucumbers, eggplant, fennel, braising mix, salad mix, herbs, kale, kohlrabi, leek, lettuce, melon, onion, mustards, sweet peppers, potatoes, zucchini, tomatoes, flowers	endive, parsnips, melons, winter squash, hot peppers, sweet peppers, turnips, tomatoes, onion, mustards, kohlrabi, carrot, herbs, beets, flowers, salad mix, braising mix
Choose to receive a weekly or bi-weekly "farmer's choice" box We'll pick a mix of 5-8 items that you'll love		

Ordering: Submit orders via an easy online ordering system by Tuesday.

Pick-up Location: Pick up orders at 735 Walnut Ave., in the River Road neighborhood

Farmstand hours: Our Friday Farmstand will be stocked with your pre-order (and more!) from 4pm to 7pm on Walnut Ave. Can't make it? You can pick-up on Monday, too!

Pricing: Prices will be based on standard market value.