

**It's February-**

**Time to kick off Threshing Table Farm's 2011 Season!**

**Mike and I have been busy with the farm planning, taking classes, building the greenhouse and ordering seeds. We'll start planting our first crops March 1st.**

**(And we can't wait!)**

**We've been talking with sight coordinators and other farmers.**

**We're again going to be working with Heather and Mark at Farm Sweet Farm to bring Grass-fed beef and Pasture Raised chickens to interested members.**

**We'll also be working with Demulling farms to bring Strawberries and asparagus to interested members. We'll again have eggs at the farm too.**

**As always, there's never enough, but we'll have some.**

**We'll continue to deliver to Hudson Hospital for employees and community members. If you are an employee of Fairview Hospital in Burnsville, we'll again be dropping shares off there. We're also working with Westfield's hospital in New Richmond to drop shares off there- for employees only. We'll again be delivering to Somerset Rental and as always, pick-up on the farm will be available.**

**We will have an additional week this year. Our season will be 17 weeks long. We'll be starting a few weeks earlier, so that we can use the cooler, June weeks to bring you early crops such as lettuce, spinach and peas. We've also been learning of new varieties of vegetables that we are looking forward to trying along with tried and true varieties we've used in the past.**

**One of our goals this year and next is to really work at making the community part of CSA stronger. One way of accomplishing this is to assemble a board of advisors. This would be a group of people that would meet with us no more than 3 times a year to discuss things such as: Share prices, produce choices, member-events on the farm, or whatever other needs we, the farmers or you, the members have. We'll always be happy to hear suggestions from everyone, but we think this advisory board will help us to get a better feel for what direction(s) we need to be going. As the owners and farmers, we will have final decisions, but we really want our CSA to be what our members need it to be. If you are interested in being a part of this board or have any further questions, please let us know!**

**I've attached our brochure and sign/up form. Please send in as soon as you can as spots will go first come, first serve. Your spot will be held with a \$50 payment. For those of you who have already signed up, Thank you!**

**We're updating our website with farm news periodically, so please check it out. If you're a facebook user, you can also "friend" us at our "Threshing Table Farm" page.**

**Enjoy the rest of winter!**

**Mike, Jody, Claudia, Malcolm and Jonas**