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Wayne ARC and Lagoner Farms Partner

Partnership to benefit two long time Wayne County entities.

Wayne ARC and Lagoner Farms have announced their partnership with the goal of raising awareness and funds for Wayne ARC while promoting and enhancing the accessibility of Lagoner Farms' Community Supported Agriculture shares.

A Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) share program allows people the opportunity to purchase locally grown fruits and vegetables in bulk. The program is structured in such a way that individuals, families, friends purchase alone or in conjunction with one another a share which they then pick up once a week. This ensures a steady influx of fresh fruits and vegetables into their home at a reduced rate over traditional grocery store purchases. This particular CSA shares program runs for 22 weeks from June 19th through November 13th and also allows the option of picking your own strawberries, blueberries, cherries and apples as they come into season. For each share purchased through Wayne ARC, Lagoner Farms will be donating a portion of each share to their programs and services. Wayne ARC, in return, will provide an additional point of pick up for CSA shareholders at their main facility at 150 VanBuren Street in Newark.

Regarding the partnership, Adam Drexler, Marketing Director for Lagoner Farms says, "Lagoner Farms is very excited about working with the Wayne ARC for our upcoming CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) season. Any time you have the opportunity to partner with a well-respected organization that provides such a wide range of services to individuals in the community, you jump on board! Our goal, with the CSA Program, is to get top quality, homegrown fruits and vegetables into the hands of the local people for an affordable price. Healthier eating leads to healthier lifestyles." Lagoner has further supported this partnership by recently providing an outside employment opportunity to an individual served by Wayne ARC.

David Calhoun, Executive Director of Wayne ARC added "Our agency places heavy emphasis on partnering with other businesses and organizations. We firmly believe that it takes all of us working together to ensure that each of us is successful. With that in mind, we embrace the opportunity to work alongside a genuine fixture in Wayne County farming. We appreciate their belief in us as a service provider and support the overall goal of providing good nutrition to members of the communities we serve."

To take advantage of the opportunity to purchase a half or full CSA share from Lagoner Farms and benefit Wayne ARC, contact Sally Carr at 315-331-7741 extension 204 or email sally.carr@waynearc.org.

Lagoner Farms, located at 6895 Lake Avenue in Williamson, NY offers a unique kind of farm market experience for the whole family. With a full service floral shop, bakery and market enhancing traditional farm experiences such as pick your own programs and CSA's, Lagoner Farms strives to provide the best in products and services for visitors throughout the year. For more information on their products and services, visit them in person, on the web at www.lagonerfarms.com or join them on facebook.

Wayne ARC is a private, not-for-profit 501(c)3 organization serving over 1400 people with and without developmental and intellectual disabilities throughout Wayne County. Wayne ARC is also a premier employer locally with over 550 employees. For more information regarding Wayne ARC please contact us at 315-331-7741, visit us on the web at www.waynearc.org or connect with us on facebook.

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