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Newsletter January update

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### Happy 2018

We are at the St. Norbert Farmer's Market in the Eagle Hall across the street from the market. The winter market is every second Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup>, February 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>, April 7<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. After that we will be outside every week.



We are still waiting for the onion seeds to come and we will start planting in the greenhouse. It has been a yo-yo weather winter. We've had weeks of intense cold and then weeks of pleasant weather – pleasant when there's no wind. We do need more snow since most of Manitoba's soil moisture comes from snow. We have been spared all of last summer's storms with wind and hail, which is good but the soil needs moisture.

We expect our first batch of day old chicks to arrive in about a week. They will be flown from Iowa to Minneapolis and trucked to Walhalla, North Dakota. Our Canadian sources do not hatch chicks this early in the year and to be organic they have to be brand new and never fed GMO grain. They take 4 or 5 months to start laying so we have to get them this early to have eggs by July. Hopefully there will not be a snowstorm to delay their arrival since they need to be kept very warm.

Our **2018 brochure** is attached. It is also found on the CSA page of our website; the pdf in the lower right hand corner. We have **not** raised our produce prices but in order to continue delivering all over the city instead of having you pick it up in one spot, we've had to increase our city delivery fee slightly.

**When you sign up with your deposit for our CSA, you will become a member eligible for the 25% discount on our products.**