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Cheese for sale at distribution and stay tuned for winter share announcement!

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this week's PICKUP

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17 4:00PM - 7:00PM

**263 W. 86th St.** (at the corner of West End Ave., just north of the Church of St. Paul & St. Andrew)

## What's New

Today at distribution we will offer some extra **Calkin's Misty Morning and Barn Red Ched Cheeses** for sale if you're interested to try.

Have you visited our **recipe blog**? If not, check it out for some great produce tips and CSA recipes!

**Winter Shares** - Once the winter shares are finalized, we will alert all members via email to sign up. We hope to publish soon and know that we will be accepting new members for this season as well.

And from the farmers: We hope you have been enjoying the different varieties of fruits and vegetables, as each one has a unique flavor and texture. This week we are sending one of my favorites, the Asian Pear. It's great as is or why not try this awesome <u>Asian</u> <u>Pear Slaw Recipe</u>. You can add some savoy cabbage for a little extra pizzazz.

See you at distribution!

# **Expected Produce**

In addition to the optional shares that are consistent every week, we expect the following varieties this week:



#### **VEGETABLES**

Romaine, Boston and red leaf lettuces, sweet pie pumpkins, acorn squash, radish, savoy cabbage, arugula, parsley, kale, turnips, zucchini, eggplant, peppers, cherry tomato, red tomato, yellow tomato



#### <u>FRUIT</u>

Macintosh (2lbs), Mutsu (2lbs), Asian Pears (2lbs), Concords (1lb)



#### **MUSHROOMS**

Double portion of Portobellos (make up from last week)



#### **CHEESE**

Misty Morning (Welsh Cheddar/Caerphilly) and Barn Red Ched (medium cheddar)



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#### PORK - VARIETY

Ham steak

Off week

#### **BACON**

Strip Bacon Update: Wahl's processor hasn't been making Irish bacon, and won't in the near future, which is why we haven't received any in this share.



### TURKEY (ground)

On week



## WHOLE CHICKENS

Off week

# **Recipes & Produce Tips**

## Slow-Cooker Eggplant Caponata

#### Ingredients

1 medium eggplant (about 1 pound), cut into small cubes

1 medium sweet onion, small dice

6 Roma tomatoes, seeded and chopped

2 celery ribs, thinly sliced

3 tablespoons tomato paste

1/4 cup water

1/2 cup red wine vinegar

1/2 cup golden raisins

1/4 cup capers, drained and rinsed

1 tablespoon granulated sugar

2 tablespoons toasted pine nuts

#### Instructions

1. Place the eggplant, onion, tomatoes, celery, tomato paste, and water in a 3- to 4quart slow cooker. Stir until well-combined. Turn the cooker to HIGH, cover, and cook for 1 hour.

2. Add the vinegar, raisins, capers, and sugar, and stir to combine. Cover and cook until the eggplant is tender, the raisins plump, and the sauce quite thick, 1 to 1 1/2 hours more.

3. Cool and add the pine nuts. Serve on bread or as a sauce for pasta.

## On the blog

Since we're getting pumpkins again, this recipe is really good:

• Pumpkin Pie from Scratch

And squash recipes and tips:

- Squash Tips
- Spaghetti Squash with Onion, Garlic, and Parmesan Cheese
- Acorn Squash with Kale and Sausage
- Roasted Butternut Squash Salad with Warm Cider Vinaigrette

As always, <u>visit the blog</u> for more recipe ideas, and if you have a recipe or tip you'd like to share, <u>email us</u>!



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