

# Dallas Youth Garden News

## August 2017

We had a great August this year in spite of the record heat and an invasion of flea beetles. Both impacted our production but the quality of our produce remained high.

Our exhibits at County Fair were especially good. In addition to many blue and red ribbons this year, we also received two medallion ribbons and the top intermediate and senior vegetable exhibit. As in past years, we had our Fair booth on Friday afternoon. This was a great opportunity for our interns to tell the public about our garden and to help raise funds for next year. State Fair intern exhibits were also very successful receiving blue ribbons, red ribbons, one reserve champion and one champion award.

Our August work project was used to improve the footing in our garden prep area. Interns cleaned the area, laid newspaper, then ground cloth followed by wood chips. This will keep grass down and it looks better!

We had a fun final work day on September 9<sup>th</sup>. In addition to home-baked treats the interns made salsa, cooked corn on the cob and got a demonstration on how to preserve tomato seeds. We will continue to work in the garden with volunteers until October 7<sup>th</sup>.



**County Fair Ribbons**



**Work Project**

**THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT THIS SEASON!**



**State Fair Ribbons**



**Last Day**

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