

Dallas Youth Garden News

September 2018

September is a short month for our interns. The formal program ended on September 8th (the week school started). Interns did a great job working through that minor distraction. On Saturday we had a party and interns made salsa with ingredients from the garden.

After September 8th, interns earned extra money by helping garden supervisors and volunteers with continued harvesting. During this time we pick produce on Tuesdays and Saturdays only. We have found that this less formal extension of the program lets us harvest needed produce and allows us to spend time together in a more relaxed manner. This also allows us to have two "last day" parties. Our very last day was October 2nd when we picked all tomatoes (green or not), pulled and coiled hoses, removed and stacked tomato cages, and of course spent time eating. The day ended with a favorite intern activity of knocking down or pulling up the many sunflower plants in the garden.

October will be spent using the tractor to mow, spread manure and rototill the garden. Finally, we will put large tarps over the entire area to keep the weeds down and help our manure decompose over the winter. If you can help with this final step, come to the garden Saturday October 13th at 11:00 am rain or shine.



Last Day Party



Last Day Salsa Making



Very Last Day Picking and Cleanup



Another Pickup Load of Produce



The Garden Ready for Tractor Work

Thank You!

I would like to thank our volunteers (Joanna and Jesse), supervisors (Amelia, Nan and Eileen), and our senior intern Tracy for all the hard work they put in this season. Thank you too to our board, partners, donors, and friends for your continued involvement and support. Without you we would not have a garden. You all make it happen!

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