Dallas Youth Garden News July 2019

This year has been great for lettuce and greens. In the first two weeks of July we delivered over 200 pounds of lettuce to the Willamette Valley Food Assistance Program. Our garden t-shirt was also a success this year thanks to the leadership project partnership of Emma, Ruth and Daisy. In mid-July intern Daisy's family unexpectedly decided to move to Woodburn. We will miss her but fortunately Luke, our alternate, stepped in and is doing a great job.

July was also spent dealing with weeds. Most work days interns rotated through each garden in a group work effort we call "Minions". We have found that hazel hoes (a heavy duty garden hoe) is a great way to attack weeds. The interns have decided that this year's fund raising will be used to purchase hazel hoes. (We currently only have two that are on-loan from my home garden.)

On July 23rd we held our 7th annual open house. We had about 40 folks attend. All who came got a garden tour from our interns and a nice potluck was supplied by our supervisors, volunteers and interns.

Our interns will be exhibiting their vegetables, flowers, and herbs at the Polk County Fair this year in the Horticulture Building August 8-10.

During the Fair our interns will also be available to answer questions about the garden at our **booth** which will be open **Friday August 9^h 10am-3pm** in the **4H Building**. As a fund raiser we will also be selling peaches. **Stop by and get a peach**!





Early July Harvest



Garden T-Shirt



Minions



Intern Introductions at the Open House

If you have any questions about the garden please e-mail anderson.dean@dallasyouthgarden.org or visit our web site at <u>www.dallasyouthgarden.org</u>. If you would like to see the progress each intern is making go to:

http://www.dallasyouthgarden.org/home/2019-interns