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The Ruth Bennett Community Farm Newsletter JULY/AUGUST 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE GARDEN

movie viewing

On August 2 as the sun begins to set, at about 8:30pm, the court at the garden will be transformed into a movie theater for a viewing of the Ruth Bennett Story, a documentary on the life work of Ruth L Bennett. This is a free event and everyone is welcome, please bring a chair, light refreshments will be available.



Below: Sunburst squash, also known as "pattypan squash."





Our newly installed mural, painted by local artists Desire Grover and Angel Pabon.

thursdays in august

The farm will be hosting its second workshop series this season. Sowing Good Seeds, a creative place-making event centered on wellness, healthy eating, and growing. This event is for adults and children. It is a free event but registration and attendance to all workshops is required. August 4, 11, 18, 25 & 27 at 3:30pm.

HAPPENINGS july/august M Th 25 28 0 0 0 0 0 0 11am - 12:30pm Market @ Chester Senior 12pm - 3pm 9am - 4pm 12pm - 6pm 9am - 4pm Center Market @ Edgemont/ Farm maintenance Childrens' programs Learning workshops Madison apartments 12:30pm - 2pm Market @ Matopos Hills 3 0 1 0 2 0 O 4 0 5 0 0 0 0 11am - 12:30pm 12pm - 6pm Market @ Chester Senior Childrens' programs 12pm - 3pm Center 9am - 4pm 9am - 4pm Market @ Edgemont/ 12:30pm - 2pm Farm maintenance Learning workshops Madison apartments 8:30pm Market @ Matopos Hills Ruth Bennett Story 3:30pm Movie Viewing Sowing Good Seeds

intern spotlight



This summer the farm is hosting two college students, Iman from Widener and Laura from Swarthmore.

Iman is a rising sophomore studying Biology at the farm, in addition to working markets and farming, Iman has been inspecting the health of the crops and monitoring pest in the garden. She'll later use the data to complete a report for reference to help grow better in the coming seasons.

Laura is also a rising sophomore, who is very interested in economics. She also works markets, programs and does farming throughout the week. Her independent project is putting together this newsletter and making the farm more transparent by getting Social media up and running. It'll go a long way to keeping everyone informed and documenting the progress we make this season.

The intention of the internship program is to give students an opportunity to explore a career in agriculture and make a meaningful impact through independent research.

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I'm a Bio major and French minor, I'm in the Presidential Service Corps/Bonner Scholar Program, and I run the sustainability stuff at Widener. I do research looking for sustainable methods of biocontrol that won't harm the environment.



MEET LAURA

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I love exploring how good food can bring people together and play a role in sustainable economic development. I'm also writing a cookbook about Peruvian cuisine and being creative and flexible in the kitchen.

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