

TEACHING GARDENS REPORT: October 18, 2017
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EXTENSION OFFICE – SUE KOSINSKI

ACTIVITY: No activity. Garden getting sleepy for wintertime.

GW BIRTHPLACE KITCHEN GARDEN: HARRIET CHINN AND BETSY HARDY

ACTIVITY:

Wayne Condrey, Sharon France, Carla Bangs and Diane Kean, worked on the 13th of September dead heading, weeding and mulching the garden.

REEDVILLE SHORELINE GARDEN – CAROLYN GORMAN & JANICE MAHONEY

ACTIVITY:

We had two work days this past reporting period. On 9/28, the usual gang showed up and edged the beds, weeded, and did a general clean up. On 10/11, the usual gang mulched the garden beds' edges. We used 16 bags of Northern Neck shredded hardwood mulch. We cut back iron weed, bee balm, coreopsis, and other plants too numerous to mention. We put the garden to bed for the winter. Carolyn and I want to thank everyone who has volunteered in this garden for the 2017 season. It is rewarding to have so many MG's interested in this garden. The show the garden put on for us this season is due to the faithful crew that started working in early spring and continued on until the last day on 10/11. Some MG's even said working at Reedville was the best fun they had when it comes to gardening.

of volunteers: 15

of hours: 24

contacts: 0

FARM MUSEUM VEGETABLE GARDEN – JINNY ESTELL & DIANE KEAN

ACTIVITY:

We continue to harvest – see totals below.

We had four workdays this reporting period. The garden is very dry and the cisterns are almost empty. That was the case until Tues. 10/9 when finally we got rain. The green peppers were pulled and the root systems were very immature which answered the question of why the output was so puny. They have been our most abundant crop in past years. The pole beans continue to put a strain on the wire and had to be tightened up once again. But they are really producing now. Collards and kale are producing and will continue through the fall and early winter. We continue to have lots of volunteers from the membership and for this, we long time regulars are very grateful.

The harvest totals are as of the end of Sept.

DATE	TOTAL TO DATE
PRODUCE	
Cilantro	0.25
Leaf Lettuce	30.25
Spinach	0.5
Swiss Chard	38.75
Beets	47.75
Peas	2.25
Radishes	18.5
Blackberries	58
Cucumbers	120.75
Green Peppers	17
Green Beans	12
Cherry tomatoes	20.5
Tomatoes	65.75
Green Tomatoes	7
Habenero Peppers	3.25
Jalepeno Peppers	6.5
Onions	31.25
Tomatilos	3
Eggplant	63.5
Potatoes	23
Canary Melons	76.75
turnip Greens	1.75
Turnips	9.25
Carrots	30.75
Kale	2
Collards	0
Rotten Tomatoes	