Internship Greenhouse & Vegetable Growing
Seasonal Worker: March 1, 2013 – Aug. 31, 2013
Location: Howell, Michigan

To apply, please reply with your:
1. Name,
2. City you live,
3. Phone number, and
4. Resume or qualification.
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About Us:
In 2005, we built a 24K sq. ft. greenhouse on our 13-acre farm where we grow and sell annuals, perennials and a small amount of trees and shrubs to the public. In 2013, we will be expanding our operation onto a 45-acre farm we acquired in 2012. We have an excellent reputation for growing high quality plants at reasonable prices.

Job Description:
This position has been created to address the growing community interest in locally produced food. The job entails spring production of annuals, vegetables and perennials. After production, job responsibility is implementing, maintaining, recording/tracking, picking vegetable garden as necessary. Vegetable garden consists of 4 large beds & 4 smaller beds.
Our objectives are:
1. Trial new vegetable varieties and grafted tomatoes for increased productivity.
2. To plan, maintain and trial two fresh vegetable growing methods:
   Multiple vegetable and herb beds and 1 small greenhouse hydroponic bed for lettuce production.
3. Plant, label, record (chart & photos) of all stages of the hydroponic and vegetable beds.

We are looking for a physically fit person with the love of plants to work in both a high-paced farm-based greenhouse environment in spring and outdoor garden beds in summer. All tasks require prolonged standing and walking. The greenhouse is a humid environment with temperatures ranging for 55°F to 90°F.

Duties:
- Plant production: Filling pots, planting and seeding, moving trays, cleaning, rotating and organizing all plant material for retail sales.
- Responsible for all seeding and propagation schedules.
- Plant, label, maintain, record and photograph the progress of vegetable garden beds and hydroponic bed. Special notes to be taken on grafted vs. ungrafted vegetable plants.
- Customer Service: Help with plant selection, answer plant and plant care questions when necessary.
- Greenhouse maintenance: Cleaning, sweeping, washing, weeding, sterilizing when necessary.
- Unload delivery trucks when necessary.
Position Requirements
- Strong work ethics, self-motivated, and work as part of a team.
- Valid driver's license with reliable transportation.
- Requires good manual hand dexterity skills. Lift, bend, twist and carry up to 30 lbs.
- Must be willing to commit to working until 8-20-2013.
- Available to work a flexible work schedule: weekends, evenings and holidays.
- Experience in Greenhouse, Landscape, Gardening, Nurseries and/or enrolled in an accredited college recognized horticulture program.
- Ability to work in all weather and temperature conditions.

What We Offer
- We offer a rewarding non-smoking, drug-free work place.
- 15-40 hours weekly.
- $7.50-$8.50 hourly rate based on experience.
- We are a seasonal employer and do not contribute to Unemployment Insurance.
- Mon-Sun 8 a.m.-7:00pm.

Interested candidates please e-mail resumes only to denisepenrose@penrosenursery.com.