



OVF Newsletter

December 2022

GARDEN CALENDAR

12/10 Saturday Workday 9 AM - last workday of the year

12/10 General Meeting 1PM – voting on the proposed 2023 budget

2023 BUDGET APPROVAL

At the December 10th general meeting members can vote for or against the proposed 2023 budget and proposed fee increase from \$88 to \$100.

https://www.oceanviewfarms.net/docs/Proposed_2023_Budget.pdf

At the meeting you can ask questions about the proposed budget and fee increase. It's your money so please make your voice heard and VOTE.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN 2023:

-Gate Closing

Therese Sweeney the gate closing monitor, will post the signup sheets for gate closing in the office shed on December 10. You can only signup for 2 gate closing slots per year. Gate closing instructions are posted here:

<https://www.oceanviewfarms.net/gateclosing.html>

If you have questions, contact Therese at birdsdog@gmail.com

-Workday Supervisors/Timekeepers

Signups for workday supervisors and timekeepers will be held on Saturday, December 17 at 10 AM in the community meeting area.

There are two Supervisors at each workday. You are responsible for coordinating the work flow for the day, assigning OVF members with tasks and the tools needed.

Supervisors meet one hour early to set up for the day and review the tasks. Supervisors receive 6 community hours. Timekeepers receive 3 hours.

The Timekeeper helps OVF members sign in and out for the workday, making sure the process goes smoothly.

You must be prepared to make a FIRM time commitment that could be well into the 2023 year, so please bring your 2023 calendar. You can only sign up for 2 supervisor or timekeeper slots per year

-OVF Donates

OVF Donates needs members to assist OVF Donates Coordinator Alicia Bacon every Sunday from 3-5PM. You receive community hours for harvesting and bundling produce under Alicia's direction.

Contact Alicia at gardengofer@aol.com

-Beautification Coordinator

The Beautification is designed for members to perform general garden maintenance such as weeding and mulching pathways, trash collection and other common chores. This is ideal for those gardeners who cannot attend

our regular bi-monthly community workdays. Members **must** sign up **before** performing any work, and must also **report the hours worked along with before & after photos** with this email link.

Contact Katie Taylor at taylorcasting@mac.com

-Community Orchard

Gale Jones, the Orchard Supervisor, needs member assistance periodically throughout the year, but especially when she prunes orchard fruit trees in January. Contact Gale at galeljones@aol.com .

PLOT PRIDE



Joe, AKA Chef Joe, gardens in upper phase 2, G32. He was an associate for a few years before getting a plot in February of 2022. Joe grew up in Midwest on various small family farms. His love of agriculture lead to working as a professional chef. He enjoys growing brassicas: cabbage, broccoli and cauliflower in the winter and okra in the summer. From the photos, it's clear that Joe loves flowers too with the California Poppy being his favorite. He says OVF is worth the wait!

SAD NEWS

With a heavy heart, the daily cat feeders have informed us that the friendly, loving garden cat Penny died on November 15. She hadn't been doing well and was taken to a vet; she subsequently was taken home by a cat feeder with the thought that Penny would be euthanized the following day. Penny, however, decided to die on her own terms later that day.

Penny was a true garden member; she was born at OVF and lived here all her life. Most of the OVF pet cats are shy, but Penny enjoyed the company of many people and was well-loved in return. Many members will miss her.

The cat care team

Linda, Luna, Canda, Selwyn, Chrystalla, Michelle and Mitsuko.

