



OVF Summer Newsletter

GARDEN CALENDAR

- 5/28 Sunday Workday 1-4 PM
 - 6/3 Greenhouse Seedling Sale 10-11:30 AM
 - 6/10 Saturday Workday 9AM - 12 noon
 - 6/10 General Meeting 1PM
 - 6/24 Phase 1 Garden Party 11AM -1PM
 - 6/25 Sunday Workday 1-4PM
 - 7/8 Saturday Workday 9AM-12noon
 - 7/15 Board Meeting 9:30 AM
 - 7/30 Sunday Workday 1-4PM
 - 8/12 Saturday Workday 9AM -12noon
 - 8/12 General Meeting 1PM
 - 8/27 Sunday Workday 1-4PM
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CRUCIAL UPCOMING DEADLINE: HALF OF YOUR COMMUNITY HOURS ARE DUE BY JULY 1. FOR 2023 THE TOTAL HOURS OWED ARE 9 HOURS PER PLOT.

Warren Miyashiro

OVF member 1995-2023

Warren passed away peacefully at home, Friday, May 26 at 2:07 AM. He loved the OVF Garden.



NOTES FROM THE OVF GREENHOUSE

April and May continued to be cool so for the first time ever, Greenhouse volunteers had to start many seedlings on heat mats. Seedlings finally sprouted so there are many gorgeous seedlings available including a compact, personal-size watermelon Sugar Baby.



A complete descriptive list of all Greenhouse seedlings is here.

https://www.oceanviewfarms.net/greenhouse_fundraiser.php

FALSE GARLIC ALERT

The abundant rain encouraged many, many weeds to sprout. One of the worst is False Garlic because it has white flowers with hundreds of windblown seeds and underground bulbils which look like tiny garlic bulbs. Dig deep to get it out of your plots and paths and put in the trash, not the shred pile. If you don't have the time to dig this up, at least cut the flowers off so it doesn't

have the chance to spread by its hundreds of seeds. Be sure to come back and dig it up.



HOW TO DEAL WITH FLEA BEETLES ON EGGPLANT



When you see many tiny shot-holes on your eggplant leaves, that's flea beetles, a tiny insect that loves to chew on eggplant. If nothing is done, the eggplant will not flourish and the harvest will be little to none. Water weekly with a weak fish emulsion solution, about 1 teaspoon to a quart of water, all over the plant. The goal is to get the plant growing strongly so that it is no longer bothered by the flea beetles. Row covers are an alternate means of protection. Use hoops to hold the cover above the plant, being sure to secure the covers to the ground.



You could also spray with Neem, paying particular attention to the underside of the leaves. Use Neem with caution, only spraying early or late in the day when few bees or other beneficial insects are active and when the temperature under 85 degrees. Remember that although Neem is an organic broad spectrum insecticide it doesn't discriminate between good and bad insects.

PLOT PRIDE

Dee Iles-Lattimore in phase 3 L, plot A50 has only been an OVF member since February of 2023. She has wasted no time in turning her plot into a garden paradise with an arch over the entrance and a bench she bought at an estate sale (gardeners love a bargain!).



At first, Dee was an indoor plant gardener for many years. Her family visited Yosemite every year which encouraged her love of the outdoors and hiking. She helped care for her mother's garden and when her mother passed, she missed gardening. That's when she applied for a plot at OVF. Dee's favorites to grow in summer are summer squash and chilies and Brussels sprouts in the cooler months. She loves all kinds of flowers but she wants some David Austin roses to add to her ranunculus and

zinnias. Even though it's hard work maintaining a plot, Dee loves having her hands in the dirt. She finds it relaxing to tend her garden. She enjoys the community of OVF members she has met.