



Family Garden Information

They are back! Mexican Bean Beetles!

They are back and in all stages, especially on zucchini and squash plants. Remember-squish them or if there are too many on a leaf, dispose of them leaf and all in a plastic bag and place them in the trash. Do not put leaves with bugs in the compost bins!

Watermelon & Sunflowers

We've got some growing! Take a look among the water-melon leaves and you'll see several melons developing. Let's plan for a tasting when they're ready...not before or they'll just taste watery. Sunflowers are special. If you decide to enjoy yours at home in a vase, be sure to pull out the rest of the plant to make room in your garden bed. If you are taking a sunflower to enjoy from our living fence these are the guidelines: pick a flower here and another there, not all from one spot -remove the stem and root; dispose of properly. Please leave the tallest ones to shine in our garden.



Community Plot Update

Plots #1, #9, #17, #20 have not been claimed by participants so they are now community plots. Please weed and water them as you would your own plot. Then enjoy the harvest. Take any vegetables that are ripe and ready that you would like. Please weigh and record the harvest on your family plot harvest page. Thanks to UUFFSB and NSJC for their help in setting up and maintaining these beds

Garden Maintenance

- The leaky hose is being replaced;
- Plant Stakes are to left of the shed.

Reminders to Gardeners

Harvest Log – It's important to update!

Total July Harvest: 158 pounds!

A blue log book is in the mailbox for recording your harvest. Pat Killian and his son Toby, set up a weigh station near the storage enclosure so a scale is always available to weigh your harvest. When harvesting from the community plots, include those counts in your plots records; no separate records needed. Elizabeth took home 4 pounds of veggies! Pete harvested 9 lbs. of potatoes! Plot #24, UUFFSBs harvested an incredible amount form their garden which they supply to The Welcome Inn, for their meal service. Flip through the book and check out the harvest!

August Schedule

Monday

w/o 8/2 & 8/9: 8am-12pm (E) (S)
w/o 8/16 & 8/23: 8am-11am (E)
w/o 8/30: 8am-12pm (E) (S)

Tuesday

No formally scheduled gardening hours

Wednesday

w/o 8/2 & 8/9: 10am-12pm (E); 3:30-5:30 (S)
w/o 8/16 & 8/23: 10am-12am (E)
w/o 8/30: 10am-12pm (E)
No morning schedule for 8/4

Thursday

Afternoons 4-8 (E)

Friday

Mornings 8-10 (E)

Saturday

w/o 8/2 & 8/9: 9am-12pm (S)
8/28: 9am-12am (S)

Sunday

8/8: 8-11 (E); 8/22: 2:30-6:30 (E)

(S) Stefani Scott/UUFFSB Volunteer
(E) Elizabeth Takakjian/Coordinator

Farm Stand Open – Tell your friends!

Tuesday

Afternoons 4-7

Saturday

10am through 1 pm



Hobbs Neighborhood Gardens

Upcoming Events and Announcements

August 4th - Fall Crops Arriving!

Elizabeth will be travelling to Quail Hill Farm, Amagansette on 8/4 to pick up our fall plants and gardening hints from Scott Chaskey. Please schedule time to plant them ASAP as the long, hot days can harm young plants if left in the trays.

Remember: dig the hole, soak the roots, place the plant, press the dirt firmly around the plant, and water well.

August 10th – 2nd Annual CCE Tomato Tasting and Evaluation

This event will be from 4pm-6pm on the evening of 8/12.

August 22 – Summer's Bounty Picnic

Let's get together Sunday 8/22 from 3-6PM to share our gardening stories and dishes prepared with Hobbs Neighborhood Roots Community Garden Vegetables. A **volunteer is needed** to get a head count and coordinate the food...Paper goods, utensils, and beverages will be provided; both gas and charcoal grills are available. There will be croquette and horseshoes, and depending on parent approval, a sprinkler running for the children...maybe even have a demonstration on Dressings and/or Pesto Preparation for the adults. Hope you'll be able to join in the fun!

UPDATE: September 11th - Canning Class

Time: 10:00 – 1:00

Location: Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Stony Brook

Brochures will be in the mailbox 8/6 – space is limited; sign up early!

Thank You!

Special thanks from our fearless coordinator, Elizabeth:

Thank you for:

*weeding the flower beds;
and maintaining the blueberry row;
mowing the grass;
watering while you work;
pulling the weeds;
staking the tomatoes;
maintaining your time cards and harvest log;
putting away the tools;
keeping the paths free of pulled weeds!*

I am very proud of our community garden.
Everyone is really doing a great job!

