



WEEKLY WEEDER

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Bee on a sunflower by Susan Van Haitsma

Filming At 49th and Sunshine Drive Next Tuesday

The CW network TV series WALKER will be filming on 49th and Sunshine Dr. next Tuesday (8/16) afternoon from roughly 2-8pm.

The filming will be of a car driving east on 49th and entering the parking garage at the corner of 49th and Sunshine. Police will be intermittently stopping traffic for a few minutes while filming occurs. Sunshine will be accessible during the filming but to avoid delay, gardeners going to Sunshine Tuesday (8/16) afternoon (roughly 2-8pm) should enter from the south along Sunshine Dr from Lamar Blvd.— *Submitted by Jim Willmann and Kay McMurry*



Fall Plants To Be Available for Sunshine Gardeners

The Sunshine board has made arrangements again this year for former Sunshine gardeners Jen Woertz and Jeff Monks (Squeaky Frog Farm) to provide fall plants for Sunshine gardeners. Plants will be delivered to Sunshine the same as last year, but preorders will most likely not be required. Rather plants will be sold on site.

Due to the hotter than usual weather this year, Jen and Jeff anticipate the sale will be mid to late September. A list of plants expected to be available can be found on the Squeaky Farm website: www.squeakyfromfarm.com. The sale will be limited to Sunshine gardeners. More details will be provided via all-gardener emails.-- *Submitted by Jim Willmann*

American Community Gardening Association

The [American Community Gardening Association](http://www.americancommunitygardening.org) is a grassroots non-profit advocacy organization focused on community gardening. Our mission is

to build community by increasing and enhancing community gardening and greening across the United States and Canada.

- Check out their upcoming conference in New Orleans this October: <https://www.communitygarden.org/event>
 - Become a member: <https://www.communitygarden.org/membership> and receive their newsletter, [The Cultivator](#).
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Limeade with Thai Basil

Here's a refreshing photo for a hot August evening in Austin!

Gwen Daniell A Leonares made basil seed limeade with seeds that she harvested from a Thai variety of basil (pictured in the bouquet). We all have plants that have bolted due to the hot summer ... what a great idea!

Garden Education by Ila Falvey

Learn about the benefits of mycorrhizal communities and their restoration and help Balcones Canyonlands Preserve (BCP) biologists from the City

of Austin and Travis County collect mycorrhizal samples. Online orientation Wednesday, September 21, 2022 from 6-7pm or September 22nd from noon to 1pm. Root collection activities will take place at various locations around Austin, during the days of Saturday, September 24, 2022 through Sunday October 2, 2022. To sign up or find more information: [Balcones Canyonlands Preserve Myco-Blitz](#)

Resources for Sunshiners

- ACGA's most recent [Cultivator newsletter](#)
- [Austin Sustainable Food Center](#)

Garden Tasks by Steve Camp

I hope everyone is taking care of themselves during this record breaking weather. Stay hydrated and know the signs of heat exhaustion/stroke. Stay safe! The gate is open at 6 AM and that's when I'm going most days. 6 to 8 is prime time if you can handle it. Just 1 hour a week can make a huge difference and keep you in compliance.

I think that by now all have heard or read the new directives involving plant waste. I want to thank all of you that are participating for not putting anything but plant waste in our compost pile. While loading the container we found virtually no trash. We also made a separate pile for Sunflower and other branchy items that can not be picked up with a loader bucket and will have to be loaded into the container by hand.

There will be no more IOUs accepted as payment in the lockbox. Checks or Cash in an envelope would be great.

NEXT SCHEDULED WORKDAY IS TBD

Workdays often evolve into social events! SCG is a fantastic place to meet new friends and learn both new and old gardening techniques. There's a wealth of knowledge here and experienced people that love to share it.

NEW GARDENERS

There are several new gardeners at SCG! Please don't hesitate to introduce yourself and y'all get to know each other a little and share garden knowledge and tips. Let's emphasize the COMMUNITY in Community Garden.

Please read handbook and site rules. Any hardware (hoses, sprayers, nozzles, splitters etc.) attached to garden faucets and maintenance of said items are the responsibility of individual gardeners.

ROADS AND PARKING

- Speed limit is 3 MPH. (Primarily for safety, but also to keep the dust down.)
- Sunshine's roads provide access to plots and common areas. Gardeners should not 1) park on roads except to unload a heavy load from vehicle, 2) drive on roads when wet, 3) drive around barriers, 4) drive into another gardener's plot, or 5) put plants or other items in the road.
- Cars may not be left idling while at the garden.
- Park only in the front parking area or your common area. On weekends there are parking spaces on Sunshine and 49th Street.

Handbook and Site rules specifically state that **PARKING ON GARDEN ROADS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED**. Park in the parking lot or common areas only. When the emergency vehicle enters SCG, they may(I hope not)be coming to assist YOU. How inconvenient it would be for them to have to wait for folks to move cars.

PRIORITY TASKS

- Khaki weed season is upon us! For the uninitiated, Khaki weed is an invasive plant that infects the garden in late spring, summer, and fall. We are determined every year to eradicate it as much as possible. To this end, we are allowing digging up khaki weed to be counted as TSVBI hours until further notice.
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TSVBI

- Weeding paths in TSVBI garden and wood chip areas on west side. (This is normally needed. Try to get out roots. Be sure to smooth out paths after weeding to facilitate TSVBI students (who are blind) moving around garden). Mowing between fence and street along 49th St. and Sunshine Dr. along and 10' inside fence.
- Khaki weed removal.
- Cleaning the street curb gutters of dirt and debris buildup. (At places in the curb gutter along Sunshine Dr. And 49th St. soil has built up and grass is beginning to grow. Scrape off with shovel and put in wheelbarrow. If debris is gravel it can be put in low places in the parking lot, otherwise, destination is dumpster.

Note: TSVBI hours can also count as regular hours.

REGULAR

- Mowing, edging (Please check area around trailer and greenhouses). The mowing season is picking up (if it ever rains, it will pick up exponentially.) It's way easier to keep it mowed than try to catch up when it gets overgrown.
- Maintaining common paths. (Gardeners are required to maintain a 2' strip of common paths adjacent to their plot.)
- Mowing and cleaning up overgrown/messy places in common areas.

Your Zone Coordinator may have more tasks than are listed here. Contact them or campinthefarden@yahoo.com if you feel that you have run out of things to do.

Slow Down (3 MPH!) You're on Garden Time! Enjoy!



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