

FOUNTAIN HILLS COMMUNITY GARDEN

welcome new garden members and current garden members to the newest neighborhood in FOUNTAIN HILLS

1 year ago we started placing our irrigation in our garden beds, amending our soil with minerals and adding our Happy Frog fertilizers. We started our warm planting season. **WOW, what a first year!** We are so very proud of all of you, your dedication and hard work. It shows and we look forward to our second year with great enthusiasm as your garden managers.

Rita Applegate 816-896-8507 beds #5, #11 & #83
Joy Hubbard 602-692-1183 beds #1
Mark Dalton 480-390-7255 beds #17 & #22

GARDENING ETIQUETTE

- Being a good neighbor, just like where you live, this is your garden neighborhood
- Respecting other bed owners property
- Setting up your bed for your specific needs (yours only)
- Maintaining your irrigation system (checking for leaks and repairing)
- Taking care when using tools and thinking of others (safety first)
- Helping others when needed or asked
- Communicating concerns and suggestions
- Being a good neighbor always and have fun digging in the DIRT! ⊚

GARDEN EXPECTATIONS:

- IRRIGATION AND WATER CONSERVATION IS #1
- For everyone, always, check first thing everyday (running a manual cycle to ck and then turn off)
- IF YOU SEE A LEAK TURN OFF THE HOSE BIB AND CALL A MANAGER
- IF IT'S YOUR BED, PLEASE REPAIR YOUR LEAK
- CHECK YOUR BATTERY ON YOUR TIMER OFTEN
- Be the best <u>Ambassador</u> for the garden and taking the time to share with visitors as they pass by. Invite them in, to check out our neighborhood community garden. <u>HELP TO GROW OUR NEIGHBORHOOD COMMUNITY GARDEN!</u>
- Tending your beds on a regular basis
- Build yourself a garden bucket for ease of working in the garden and taking back home
- Proper disposal of debris & trash
- Volunteering on work days, invite a friend or family member
- Following our rules and regulations at all times
- No longer necessary to wear name tags, but nice to wear at special events
- If there is a issue with gate codes for entry to the garden PLEASE CALL MARK DALTON

GARDEN LEASED BEDS

ITEMS PROVIDED:

- Hose bib water supply
- Drip irrigation lines, you may need to purchase a few small connectors, as needed
- DIG timer
- Rich organic soil
- Shade cloth (Ck. in/Ck. out process)
- Shade supports
- All items must stay in the garden, as it stays with each bed

GARDEN LEASED BEDS

Soil amendments for you to purchase:

- Azomite, minerals needed to add to the organic soil, you can NOT over mineralize your bed, sold at Lowe's, Home Depot or Amazon for best value
- Happy Frog fertilizer products, sold locally at Verde Valley Nursery
- Nature's Care by Miracle Grow is also a great organic & natural fertilizer, sold at Lowe's & Home Depot
- Fertilizers can be added every 2 weeks and coffee for added nitrogen
- CULTIVATE INTO SOIL AND WATER INTO SOIL WITH EACH APPLICATION THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT

PRODUCT RECOMMENDATION

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Happy Frog products, at your local Verde Valley Nursery

Jump Start

Tomatoe & Vegetable fertilizer

All Purpose fertilizer

Nature's Care – Miracle Grow products, is also a great Organic & natural fertilizer – Lowe's & Home Depot

Azomite Minerals <u>MUST HAVE</u> – Lowe's, Home Depot and Amazon carry this product

The COFFEE GROUNDS are free nitrogen, from Starbuck's

Kellogg AMEND – Home Depot, this is added after EACH season of planting and REFRESHES AND PREPS THE SOIL







ORGANIC SOIL, MULCH & COFFEE GROUNDS

Organic soil is available for all members, while supply last

Wood mulch is available for all members, while supply last

Coffee grounds are available for all members, while supply last

Please remove coffee filters from coffee holding area and place in proper trash bin

Use of wheelbarrows behind back shed is available to all members

Tools in front shed available to all members



GARDEN TOOLS

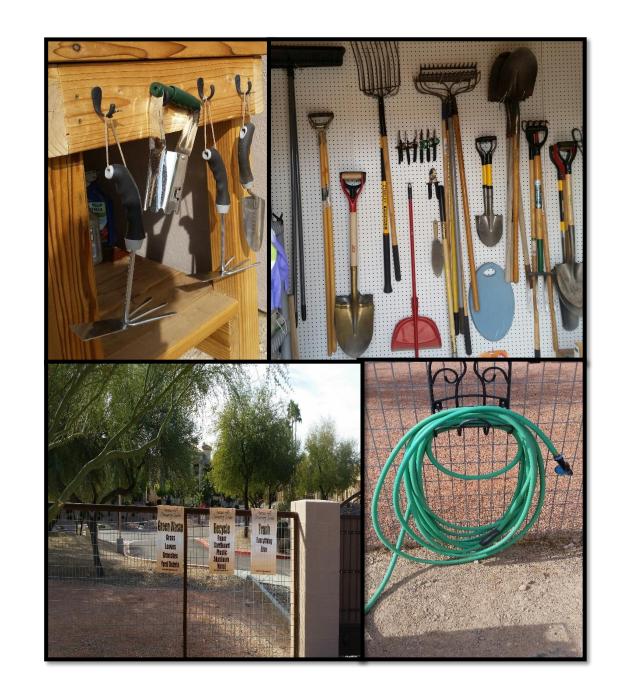
Hand tools; always cleaned before putting away at potting bench

Rakes, shovels, picks, etc; always cleaned before putting away in shed

Properly winding up hoses after use

Keeping personal items at home and not around bed perimeters

Disposing garden debris to proper location, compost or correct trash containers



COMPOST BIN AREA

Follow direction on <u>SIGN</u> for proper disposal in compost bin area (Bin 1 is first bin thru 3)

CHOP up pieces for quicker breakdown. A shovel is on hand to chop your compost deposits

BIG ROOT BALLS DO NOT BREAK DOWN VERY QUICKLY, PLEASE PUT IN GREEN WASTE CONTAINER

ABSOLUTELY NO PAPER OR PLASTIC in bins

Ask to **VOLUNTEER** and help tend the compost bin area

COMPOST NEEDS WEEKLY WATERING COMPOST BIN NEEDS MONTHLY TURNING

Keep outside area of compost bins free of weeds and debris

Ask for help if not sure where to place debris; signs placed to aid in questions

Rose Gonsoulin beds #7 & #47 - is our Volunteer Compost Coordinator, please don't hesitate to ask questions regarding Composting







BEES AT THE GARDEN.... OUR FUTURE RESIDENTS & HARD WORKERS!

Beekeeper & Honey Enthusiast!

Audra Waddle is the "AZ Queen Bee" and operates a chemical free Beekeeping, Bee Removal and Honey operation in Scottsdale, AZ.

She is the Beekeeper for the Butterfly Wonderland and manages hives throughout the Valley.

Honey is available seasonally and is amazingly unique and completely raw and unheated. The raw desert bloom honeycomb is a Good Food Awards Finalist!

For Bee Relocation services contact Audra at 602-881-9877 or AZQueenBee.com

Stay Sweet,
- Audra



VOLUNTEERING

In our rules and regulations; all members agreed to spend time volunteering

You have selected your choice of volunteer work

On volunteer days, please come and bring a friend or family member

It will take <u>ALL OF US</u> to make this a continued, successful, community garden

Our Volunteer Coordinators are Phyllis and Louise Rozansky bed #39 480-440-6546



MESSAGE

CENTER

Please take the time to observe any message left on our chalkboard

Information is shared frequently

Events are posted

Help needed is posted

Leave a message for a garden manager

Sign up to volunteer or call your coordinators to offer your help

Please be an active garden member in all we do at our community garden

THANK YOU!



SOCIALS

Watch the chalkboard for information

It is a great time for sharing our successes and failures to improve our garden knowledge together & sharing seeds

It is a great time to relax and enjoy walking around the garden

Share with your family and friends this beautiful success

Have a great season of gardening

BE SOCIAL, MAKE A NEW FRIEND AND HAVE FUN!





OUR SUCCESSFUL FIRST YEAR & PHASE 2 GRAND OPENING

SATURDAY MARCH 10, 2018

TIME: 11:00 - 1:00

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

DON'T MISS THE FUN AND SHARING WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS OUR NEIGBORHOOD COMMUNITY GARDEN....SEE YOU THERE!!!

THANK YOU AND QUESTIONS ARE APPRECIATED

