



**Harvest Farm
Gardeners
Meeting
03.27.10**

Thank you!





Harvest Farm Plot Layout

The Million Dollar Question...



When will my plot be ready??

2010

April

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

28 29 30 31 1 2 3

4 5 6 7 8 9 10

11 12 13 14 15 16 17

18 19 20 21 22 23 24

25 26 27 28 29 30

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8



What do I need to do to get my bed ready?

- Construct raised bed and fill with soil.
 - All materials will be on-site and are included with the plot fee
 - If you cannot attend the work day or cannot physically build your plot, you need to make arrangements to have it built by another volunteer(s).
- Beds should need little, if any, amendments to plant.
- Gardeners supply plants, stakes, trellises, labels, etc.



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Harvest Farm Rules

What does my plot fee include?

- One-year plot rental
- Administrative costs
- Purchase & maintenance of common tools: wheelbarrows, hoses, shovels, rakes, etc.
- Garden maintenance
- Utilities

2400
January 1, 2010 91-548/1221

PAY TO THE ORDER OF City of Suwanee \$ 75.00

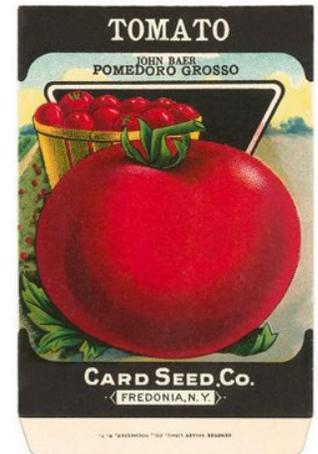
Seventy-five and 00/100 DOLLARS

FOR Harvest Farm plot Suwanee Gardener

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What do I have to provide?

- Plant seeds and seedlings
- Mulch
- Soil amendments
- Fertilizers, pest control products, herbicides, etc.
- In-bed irrigation: drip hoses/systems, etc.
- Plant labels
- Stakes, trellises, etc.
- Gloves, personal tools, etc.
- Decorations for plot



How can I help?



- 12 hours per year per plot
- Types of opportunities:
 - Planting and maintaining common areas
 - Tending the Food Bank plot
 - Assisting with June 19 Grand Opening
 - Fundraising
 - Educational and social events



**Vines & tall plants
staked**

**Plants watered,
pruned and
harvested**

**Healthy plants
only; dead & dying
plants removed**

Well mulched bed

Have the plot everyone's copying...

not the one they're whispering about!



Tend your plot only...

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NO

- Harvesting
- Watering
- Tending of other plots!

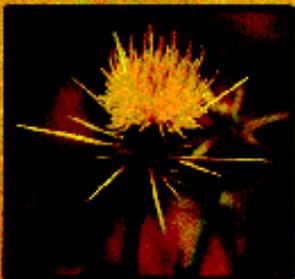


Vacation To-Do List

- ✓ Pet sitter
- ✓ Mail stop
- ✓ Garden helper

Keep your plot a weed-free zone

WANTED
~ Yellow starthistle ~

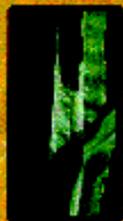


Wanted For

- > Fatally poisoning horses
- > Destroying native plant communities and crushing out the wildlife they support
- > Eliminating forage for wildlife and livestock
- > Reducing property values

Distinguishing Features

- > Sharp spines surround bright yellow flowers
- > Stems are "winged" but without spines
- > Unique gray-green color that is often visible from a distance



Immediate action is needed

This plant rapidly takes over many types of land including valuable pastures, rangelands and wildlife habitat. In California alone, this noxious weed has already invaded more than 40 million acres. Since yellow starthistle is still new in our state, we have an opportunity to prevent it from becoming a serious problem for agriculture and wildlife.

IMMEDIATELY REPORT SUSPECTED INFESTATIONS TO YOUR LOCAL WEED MANAGER, COUNTY COMMISSIONER OR UNIVERSITY EXTENSION AGENT

Contact: NEVADA DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE
350 CAPITOL HILL AVENUE
RENO, NEVADA 89503-2921
(775) 698-1180 ext. 264



With your help, we can fight for healthy and successful production systems and a better future for all.

- Promptly remove weeds from your plot
- Dispose of weeds properly
- No chemical herbicides allowed in Harvest Farm



**Harvest Farm:
Georgia's largest
ORGANIC
community garden...
and proud of it!**

- No synthetic chemical fertilizers, herbicides, pesticides, amendments, and fungicides.
- Plants and seeds may be organic or non-organic.

Water Wise @ Harvest Farm

- 1" of water per week
- Water deeply
- Water the soil,
not the plants
- Use mulch
- Do not water in the
heat of the day
- Use the cistern!
- Return hoses





- **Don't shade your neighbor**
- **Return tools, hoses, etc.**
- **No smoking or tobacco**
- **No profanity**
- **Accompany children under 12**
- **No pets inside the garden**
- **Keep loud noise to a minimum**

Be a good plot neighbor!

Help Build Our Compost Pile!

- Straw
- Hay
- Leaves
- Grass clippings (dried)
- Old sod
- Reject or soiled garden produce
- Vegetable and fruit peels
- Newspaper (shredded)
- Eggshells (crushed)
- Stable or poultry manure
- Tea bags



Compost these in limited amounts:

- Corn cobs
- Shredded twigs
- Shredded bark
- Pine needles
- Hedge trimmings
- Wood shavings
- Sawdust
- Coffee grounds
- Peanut shells

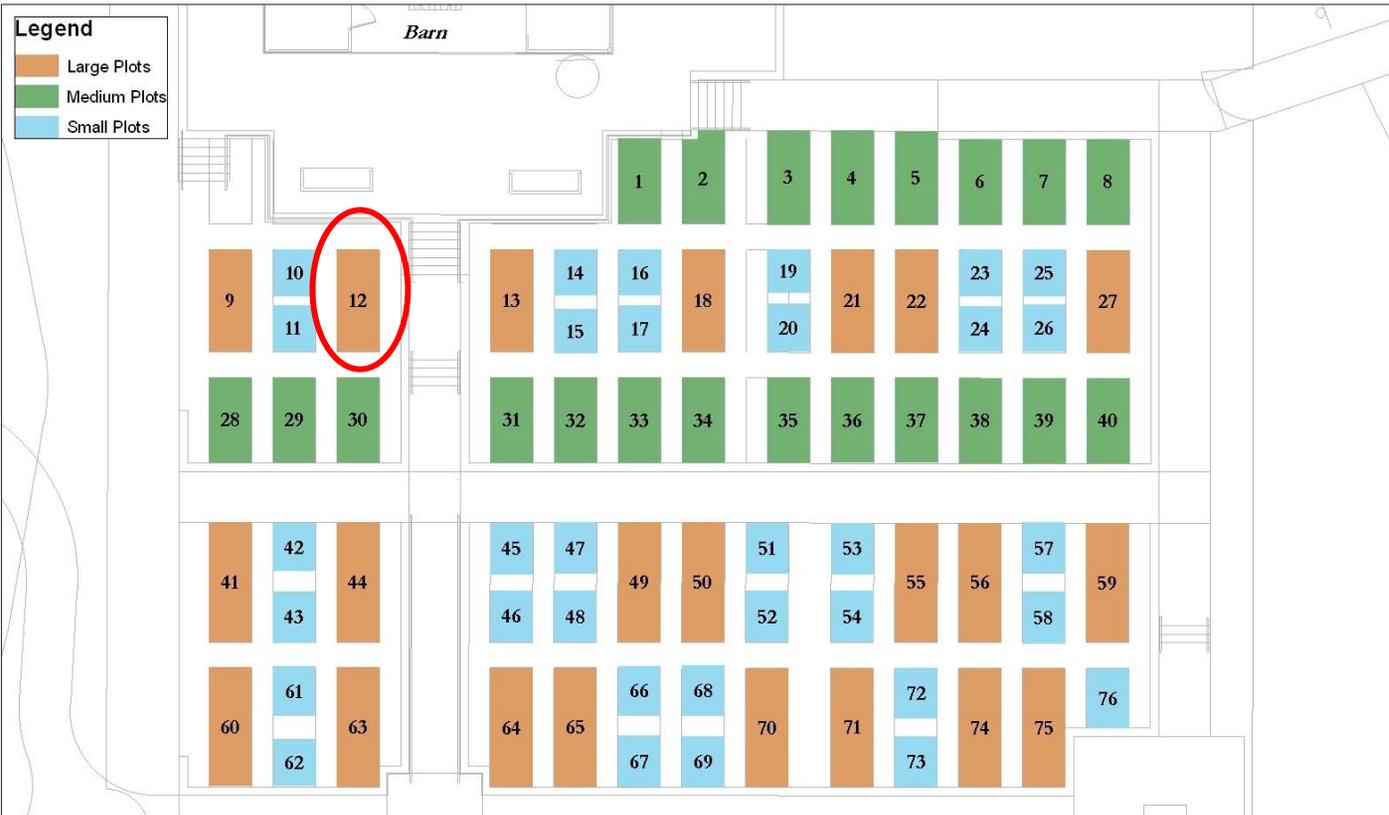


Do NOT Compost These:

- Diseased or pest-laden materials
- Meat or bones
- Grease
- Whole eggs
- Cheese
- Seeds and fruit pits
- Cat or dog manure
- Bakery products
- Dairy products
- Food or kitchen scraps
- Weeds!

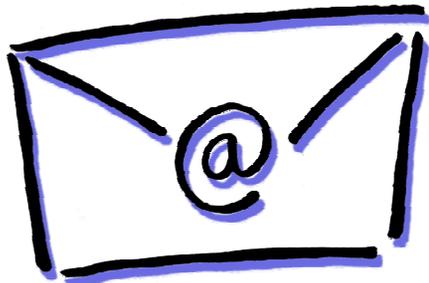


Plant a Row for the Hungry SM



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Staying connected...



- **City of Suwanee website**
www.suwanee.com/communitygarden.php
- **Facebook**
“Harvest Farm Community Garden”
- **E-mail**
HarvestFarmCG@gmail.com

Harvest Farm Managing Board

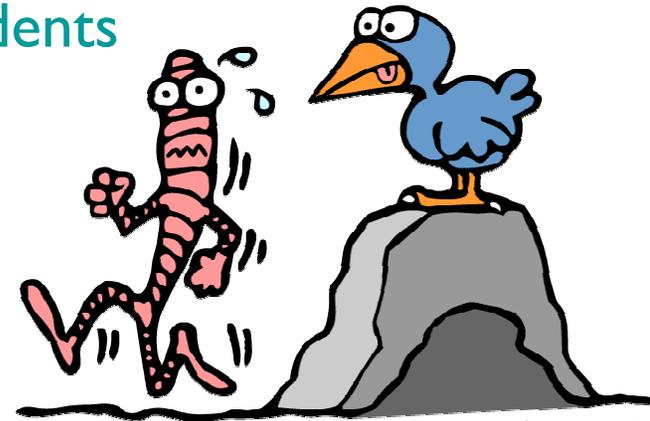
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Details, details, details...

- Garden hours: sunrise to sunset
- Parking
 - Use designated spots along White Street
 - If lot is full, park along the street, in front of the park
- Be respectful of our White Street neighbors
- Close the garden gates when leaving
- Barn can be reserved for formal gatherings
- Tool storage and restrooms in the barn

2011 Plots

- Current plot agreements expire 12/31/10
- 2011 plots will be assigned in the following priority:
 1. Harvest Farm Managing Board & Founders Committee
 2. Current plot holders, City residents
 3. New applicants, City residents
 4. Current plot holders, City business employees
 5. New applicants, City business employees
 6. Current plot holders, Gwinnett County residents
 7. New applicants, Gwinnett County residents



Happy Harvesting!

