



OVF Newsletter

February 2023

GARDEN CALENDAR

2/11 Saturday Workday 9 am -12 noon

2/11 General Meeting 1 pm

2/12 Seed Starting Class 11 am-1 pm

2/26 Sunday Workday 1-4 pm

GARDEN NEWS

At the February 12 meeting, members will have an opportunity to vote on the proposed 2023 budget.

SEED STARTING CLASS

OVF Education presents a seed starting class, Sunday, February 12th from 11 to 1 in the community meeting area

Join Greenhousekeeper Nina Rumely for this fun, informative class.

Class is geared to beginning gardeners. OVF provides clean containers, soil and seeds. You may also bring your own seeds.

Class size limited to 24 and to only one participant per member or associate household. Your sixpack will be in the Greenhouse for 5 weeks and watered daily by the wonderful Greenhouse volunteers.

For more information or to sign up, contact Nina at ovfeducation.nina@gmail.com

A group of OVF gardeners have recently joined together to form a Water Sustainability Committee to explore ways we can maximize and improve our current systems to be better equipped for ongoing water needs and potential restrictions.

One such effort is to conduct a below-ground water detection survey in cooperation with the Department of Water and Power. This survey will identify any hidden leaks in our current, aging system.

The second, longer-term goal is to look at updating systems to recommended standards, such as installing smart valves that will detect leaks and prevent waste. Part of this larger effort is getting an accurate topographic site survey of the garden in order to map out existing systems so we can strategically upgrade based on our garden's unique terrain and needs. Cost to be determined.

If you have experience in water management and/or irrigation systems or related areas and would like to participate, the group would like to invite you to join this effort. Please contact Diana Crews djcrews101@gmail.com or Donn Hoffman ovfdonn@gmail.com to be added to the next meeting's Zoom invite scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th.