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Community Garden Program NEWS

October 2020

Message from the Coordinator

October is my favorite month of the year. For me, it represents a dramatic transformation of the external and the internal. It represents transformation. Let's use this moment to strengthen our resolve to grow plants, capture carbon, conserve water and share our harvests while turning strangers into friends!

What's happening in the garden?

We have ten varieties of citrus from all over the world on display with pictures so we know exactly when to pick. It's seeds-&nuts season so the squirrels and mice are all over the garden. The young orchard had a rough summer and its time to replenish their soil. Visit during the garden tours to see how we are dealing with it all!

What to watch out for...

Save your Halloween jack-o-lanterns and fall decorative squashes for the Pumpkin Drop-off and Composting event happening all November and December.

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Events This Month

Open Garden Tour: Planting Bulbs
Thursday, Oct. 8
4:30 - 6 p.m.

Open Garden Tour: Pest Protection
Saturday, Oct. 17
9 - 11 a.m.

Open Garden Tour: Fall Cleanup
Thursday, Oct. 22
4:30 - 6 p.m.

Garden Tip of the Month: Remove or replace spent annuals. Trim woody or overgrown perennials. Trim diseased leaves from roses, camellias, rhododendrons, and azaleas. Discard in trash. Many insects and diseases over winter in plant debris so remove the yard waste from under plants

For more tips visit [Santa Clara County Master Gardeners Monthly tip webpage](#).