

GARDENING INSTRUCTIONS FOR VOLUNTEERS 2010

Basically, your duties will consist of tidying up the 4 gardens – the West Street Garden; the Peace Pole and Heron Gardens on Washington Ave; and the Memorial Garden in the triangle area. Pull weeds; pick up trash; deadhead flowers (if you are not certain if something is a weed, it is ok to leave it for the next gardener to ponder). On occasion you may need to water an area (the area under the overhang in the Heron Garden often does not get sufficient water even after it has rained). Bring your gardening gloves, trowel, clippers and kneeling pad.

(A copy of these instructions will also be in the big ziplock bag with the faucet handle in the B-8 closet.)

There are also gardening supplies at FUUSA, most of which are kept in the large storage closet (it has brown wooden doors) in the basement near classroom B-8, in the newer section of the building:

Hose(s) are stored in the large storage closet in the hall outside B-8 [Soaker hose not currently available]

B-8 hall closet: Faucet handle for Heron Garden; Oscillating sprinkler and Spray Head Extra clippers, rakes, lawn and leaf bag(s)

Trash bag(s) – janitorial storage closet near B-8

Rake(s) and Broom– by West Street door

Watering can(s) – under kitchen sink

For hose usage:

- 1) Washington Avenue: new faucet below office windows (in Heron Garden), bring hose to that garden, extend it across the entryway to Channing Bay area if needed.
To use the faucet, you will need to get the handle from a plastic Ziploc bag stored with the hoses and tools in the B-8 hall closet – the one with the wooden door. (The faucet device is a cross-shaped piece of silver metal with 4 tubes extending from a center section, about 3 inches across. The tubes are hollowed out to different square inside dimensions. One is marked with green Sharpie ink, that's the one that you stick into the faucet. It fits over a square extension inside the faucet, like a kind of key, then you can turn it to get water or shut water off.
- 2) West Street: string hose from janitorial storage closet up rear stairwell and out emergency exit door to Emerson garden
- 3) Robin portico area: string hose out kitchen window from left sink, run along West Street to front gardens

Update from Olga: I have got all the hoses together on the rolling hose cart and the wrench for the front faucet is tied with a bungee cord around the handle to keep all things together. The feeder hose is now in a box in the garden equipment area.

Disposal of weeds should be in a recycling lawn bag, (the large brown paper bags). They can be left on the West Street curb just past the garden by the tree that's right next to the street; the city picks them up regularly. Trash bags can be deposited in the large trash bins behind the building on the West Street side.

Note: if you come on an evening or weekend, you will likely not have access to the building and the supplies indicated above. Questions, contact Paula Moskowitz (pgmosk@earthlink.net or 439-6347).