MONTHLY GARDEN CALENDAR

AUGUST

(Some Rain, Lots of Heat)

“If you give a chinch an inch, it will take your yard”

- **Maintenance/Prune**: Recheck trees, readjust ties on trees. Prune bougainvilleas. Trim palm seed stalks/dead fronds. Trim wax begonias, coleus, perennials, and hedges. Remember horticultural soaps and ultra-fine or super-fine oils (better in heat) for insect control.


- **Vines/Ground Cover/Ornamental Grasses**: Mexican heather, mondo grass, and any appropriate groundcover.

- **Bulbs/Rhizomes/Tubers**: Transplant amaryllis, caladium, and society garlic. Consider Asiatic jasmine, mondo grass, and liriope.

- **Watch for**: Mole crickets, chinch bugs in the lawn. Caterpillars, aphids, slugs, snails, white flies, garden flea hoppers, grasshoppers, cutworms, nematodes, leaf spot, lace bugs, roof rot, aphids, katydids, scales, trunk borers, skeletonizers, stink bugs, lace bugs, Fruit flies.

- **Lawn**: Plant Bahia by seed or sod – Plant other sod types.

- **Shrubs**: Plant new shrubs, maintain existing.

- **Water**: Watch hanging baskets and containerized plants. Do any watering early

- **Fertilize**: Use time-release fertilizer on shrubs and palms. Palms with standard fertilizer should receive a Palm fertilizer (N-Ph-K-Mg)

- **Trees/Citrus**: Fertilize citrus during growing season

- **Tropical/Temperate Fruits**: Plant pineapple and vining fruits.