BEGONIA CHATTER



Astro Branch

American Begonia Society

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October 2021 Issue

Next Meeting:

DATE: October 3, 2021 **TIME:** 2:00 P.M.

PLACE: Home Of Tom Keepin PROGRAM: Annual Fall Picnic

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ANNUAL FALL PICNIC

The October 3, 2021 Meeting and Annual Fall Picnic of the Astro Branch of the American Begonia Society will be held at the home of Tom Keepin and Peter Lloyd located at 4513 Randwick Drive. For those that have not been to Tom' home before, driving instructions will be located a little later in this newsletter. If you were not at the September 5th meeting and haven't signed up for what you will be bringing please give Mel Babb a call to see what she may need you to bring. Mel's telephone number is 713-981-5641 or you can send her an email @ melbabb@comcast.net. This will be a POT LUCK AFFAIRE. Bottled water will be provided as will coffee to go with your dessert. Should you wish to wet your whistle with something else please feel free to bring it.

Members are invited to bring a plant or plant related item for our Door Prize Table. Your donation to the table does not need to be wrapped but if it is that makes for a nice surprise for the person that chose it. While you are making your list of things to bring to the picnic don't forget to bring your favorite lawn chair. There will be some seating available but not enough for everyone. Besides your chair will more than likely be more comfortable than our chairs and benches.

We are looking forward to seeing you at the meeting/picnic.



B. "Flamingo Queen" growing in Tom Keepin's yard.

DIRECTIONS TO

4513 RANDWICK DRIVE

713-299-4120

South East from HWY 290:

Take Exit Antoine (almost at 610)

Go to third light (Dacoma) and make a LEFT

U turn under 290 and go back to Mangum Rd. and turn right.

Take very first RIGHT on Randwick Drive and 4513 will be the sixth house on the Right.

North on 610 Loop West:

Follow Loop 610 North over 1-10 and stay in the **LEFT** lane to exit to HWY 290 AUSTIN.

First Exit on over pass to 290 Austin is Mangum Rd.

Exit and make a right at the light (Mangum RD.)

Immediately take your first RIGHT (Randwick Drive.)

4513 Randwick Drive is your sixth house on the Right.

West on Loop 610 North:

Follow 610 North heading west towards Austin. Exit at T.C. Jester and go to second traffic light (West T. C. Jester) and make a right. Turn left at third street (Brookwoods Drive).

Go to Randwick Drive on your left and make a left tum on Randwick Drive. 4513 will be on the left.

PRUNING, PLANTING AND TRANSPLANTING

October

8 th & 9 th	Scorpio
12 th & 13 th	Capricorn
16 th , 17 th & 18 th	Pisces
21 st , 22 nd & 23 rd	Taurus
26 th , 27 th & 28 th	Cancer

November

4 th & 5 th	Scorpio
8 th & 9 th	Capricorn
13 th & 14 th	Pisces
17 th , 18 th & 19 th	Taurus
22 nd , 23 rd & 24 th	Cancer

****Planting and Transplanting are best done in Cancer, Scorpio and Pisces with Cancer being the best.

****Best Pruning for quick growth is first in Taurus and then in Capricorn.

(This "Pruning, Planting and Transplanting" guide was taken from the Harris Farmer's Almanac 2021)



B. 'Fireworks'



B. 'Candy Stripes'

WEATHER FORECAST FOR OCTOBER, 2021

According to the United States Weather Service Houston and surrounding areas fall in Region 7 of the National Weather Map. Here is what they predict our weather will be for the month of October.

Our temperatures will be slightly below normal and precipitation will be near normal and our precipitation will be near normal. Temperatures should average from 60 degrees in the north to 67 degrees in the South.

Our coolest October temperatures will be October 5th thru 7th, 14th thru 17th, and 23rd thru 27th.

Our warmest October temperatures will be the 2^{nd} thru 4^{th} , October 4^{th} , 5^{th} .21 9^{th} thru 12^{th} , 19^{th} thru 21^{st} and 30^{th} .

The greatest chance for scattered showers and thunderstorms will be October 4th, 5th, 13th and 22nd thru 25th.

Otherwise, there will be an isolated shower or thunderstorm at any time. A low hurricane threat the first week.

(This weather forecast for the month of October was taken from the Harris Farmer's Almanac 2021)



Astro Branch September 2021 Meeting



Analyzing unhappy begonias!







