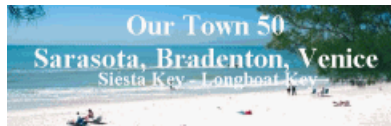


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June Gardening Guide

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June in Florida signals the start of summer and two important weather patterns – afternoon and evening showers and thunderstorms and the start of the hurricane season (June thru November). June 2003, however, was not typical – we received 12 inches of rain, a new high for rainfall. It replaced the old record high of 7.4 inches set in 1992.

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Prune palm seedpods and those fronds that are brown. However, do not give palms a "hurricane cut" where green fronds are removed. This practice stresses and weakens the palm.

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There will be no educational programs at Extension's Florida House Learning Center during the summer, but classes will resume in September. However, the house and gardens will remain open for touring. Summer hours are Tuesday – Friday, 10:00 am – 1:00 pm, and Saturday, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm. The "Model Florida Yard" is always open. The FHLC is located on the NW corner of Beneva & Proctor Roads (on the Sarasota County Technical Institute property). Admission is free.

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