## Herb, Vegetable, and Butterfly Gardens

A plan for the garden design shall be submitted and approved by the ARB prior to installation. The plan shall provide accurate documentation of home owner(s) intent. the dimensions of the bed and site plan with location drawn to scale, and any other accessories or materials for ARB review. Gardens must be maintained in accordance with published guidelines. Please refer to Vegetable and Herb Gardening Standards and Practices (in the paragraph below). The ARB has the right to deny any gardens. accessories or materials that are not in harmony with. detract or impair the view of other home sites; such as golf course, preserves. drainage retention areas ("DRAs"), etc.

## **Vegetable and Herb Gardening Standards and Practices**

Vegetable Garden plans are subject to an Application for Approval Request for Modification submitted to the On Top of the World Central ARB. Vegetable gardens shall not be located within view of the fronting street. If you are using your plot to grow vegetables, follow these simple guidelines:

- Garden dimensions shall not exceed an area of 40 sq. ft. (e.g.4' x 10') and shall be installed adjacent to back of home/lanai. Garden shall not be installed further than ten feet (10') from the home and shall be parallel to the building or rear lanai.
- All trellis and stakes to support vine growing plants shall be removed during non-growing periods of gardening, e.g.: pole beans.
- Any items placed on poles such as scarecrows, skulls and various other items are not permitted.
- Consider adding decorative pots to grow tomatoes and other vegetables. Decorative pots are subject to the On Top of the World Central Architectural Review Board Planning Criteria.
- Remove rotting vegetables and place them in the appropriate compost containment so as not to attract rodents. Open composting in piles is prohibited.
- Once the growing season is complete, please make sure that all remaining plants are removed.
- If you elect to fence your garden plots, fencing must be white PVC and/or green vinyl coated wire cyclone fence. And be in compliance with the Association' fence rule. Garden plot fencing that is no higher than twenty-four inches {24"}, may not exceed an area of 40 sq. ft. (4' X 10').
- If you decide to use automatic irrigation on your garden plot, install irrigation zones dedicated to the garden area using drip or low volume application methods. Otherwise, limited hand watering is an accepted practice.
- Garden plantings should be kept to a minimum in height. Vegetables and produce that grow over five feet (5') in height should be planted in garden club plots, e.g. Com, Sugar Cane, etc.
- Vegetable or flower gardens left unattended for winter should be mulched over with a minimum of four inches (4") of organic mulch to avoid weeds infestation. For more tips on vegetable and herb gardens, go to: <a href="lawn and garden/plants">lawn and garden/plants</a> and grasses/edibles