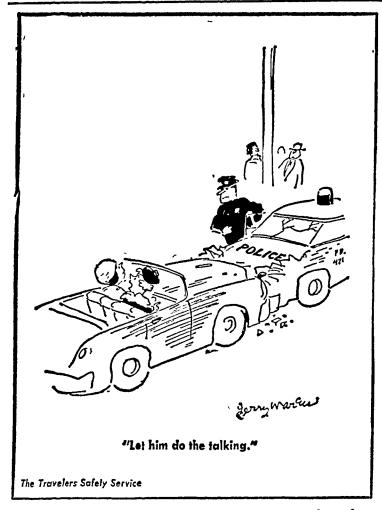
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Rear-end collisions are a result of speed and inattention.

Give Flowering Plants Room To Grow

Crowding is one of the most common mistakes gardeners want an absolutely "weed-free" make in planting summer flowering annuals, says a University of Maryland horticulturist

"Too many plants in a bed result in tall, spindly plants that produce few flowers and are easily damaged by strong winds and heavy rains," explains Francis R Gouin, Extension ornamental horticulturist.

you are more likely to get bush- heads as they fade, and your gariei, more compact plants that den should continue to be a are strong enough to support large numbers of flowers

A simple rule says flowering annuals that grow one to four inches tall should be given 16 square inches of growing space (In other words-they should be planted on a 4×4 spacing) Plants that grow four to eight inches tall should be planted on a 6x6 spacing, and plants that grow eight to twelve inches tall need an 8 x 8 spacing

Foi tallei plants, Gouin iecom mends an additional inch of space in each direction

Water Flower Beds

serve the moisture during dry periods For most flower gaidens, straw, pine needles, sawdust and even compost may be used, Gouin explains, but if you garden, try planting through a black plastic mulch

"Lay the plastic over the soil before planting and simply cut an X mark with a sharp knife where you want to plant Water will also be able to enter the ground through these openings"

After your summer annuals If you allow growing space, start to bloom remove all flower source of pleasure all summer, Gouin concludes

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Hand watering is the least de snable method of ningating a galden, but if you must spiinkle a flower bed, apply the water gently so as not to damage the plants Large water droplets tend to collect on the plants bending them over

Control Weeds Weeds will try to take over

your flower beds-especially if you let them get a head start Gouin cautions

Therefore, it is important that you keep weeds under control from the very beginning You can keep ahead of the weeds by hoeing each week, but if your time is limited, you could use a mulch to keep the weeds in check

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