

MALL CONCOURSE – TOM SKAIFE, SUPERVISOR; LAURA BAUER, LEADSWORKER

Here at Mall/Concourse we've been watering constantly; between the newly planted annuals, some over-seeded grass, our established grass, and decorative plantings at Peace Park, we've had to dedicate at least one person to watering all day every day. We've also added another water tank to triple our mobile capacity. Thankfully, we're about to receive some help from two Olbrich interns, but as I look at the forecast, there's no other relief in sight.

I'm happy to report that changes we've made in the cleanup after *Concerts on the Square* are receiving rave reviews after the first week. With the generous loan of the West Parks garbage truck, we're able to accomplish the cleanup without needing to dump trucks in the middle of the process. It's faster, more efficient, and easier on the crew, which becomes especially important in this heat.

July looks to be a busy month – the Downtown area will be experiencing *Art Fair On and Off the Square*, *Maxwell Street Days*, *Paddle & Portage*, and *Concerts on the Square*.