

Patt's Garden Center

Quarterly

January, February, March 2017

Another New Year

2017...boy, does it feel weird to say that! We're so ready for whatever 2017 has in store, including the birth of Don & Sharon's second grandbaby, Hunter Breyton in January. Bret, Sabrina and Hunter are healthy and home and the rest of the family is so excited for their new arrival!

We'll continue to do our best to provide you with quality plants and service throughout the year. Keep an eye out for the selection of bedding plants and vegetable starts grown right here at Patt's, as well as beautiful trees and shrubs from our favorite Oregon nurseries. And as always, we'll have your favorite garden tools and fertilizers. If you have a special request, get it in to us as soon as you can and we'll do our best to find it for you.

- Kate & the Patt's Staff

Tools for the Trade

We're fully stocked up on all the tools you'll need to get your yard in tip-top shape for Spring. We have a whole collection of extendable handle tools from Corona—rakes, spades, cultivators—that are made from durable steel and will extend up to 34" for ease of use. You'll love the Lewiston-made HoeDag for any weeding, digging or chopping. And, our cut-and-hold bypass pruners take pruning to a whole new level. Choose from a 24" pole with easy-squeeze handle or the extendable 48" pole pruner that can tackle nearly any yard project. We have our favorite Atlas gloves in stock in all colors and sizes and rose gloves that will protect your arms from pesky thorns.



Don't forget your pint-sized helpers, as we have a great selection of durable, colorful Melissa & Doug gardening supplies for kids!



Terrific Tillandsia

It's funny how trends come back around, isn't it? Fashion from the 70s and 80s seem to be making a resurgence, and with that comes decades old plant fads. You've probably noticed Air Plants are one of those popular trends making a comeback.



Air Plants are part of a large family of plants called Tillandsia, named for the Swedish botanist Elias Tillander who studied and identified the species as early as the 1600s. As their name implies, Air Plants are low maintenance plants that only require air and water to survive, not soil. Most varieties do fine with weekly misting/showering, but larger plants need to be dunked in water for 15-20 minutes per week. There are over 730 types of Tillandsia, so your collection can grow and grow. We carry about 20 different kinds, each with their own unique coloring and shape. These plants will thrive in dry or humid climates as long as they receive adequate moisture. Direct sunlight is not recommended, but often times will inspire color with in some varieties. It is important to drain the water out of the crevices.

When using Tillandsia for terrariums or art projects they cannot be used with any potting soil or dirt (hence the name airplants). Airplants can be used with sand, sea glass, rocks, pebbles and bark chip. Tillandsia will color up and also spike a bloom that will flower. They also produce small "pups" that create a whole new plant for you to separate and grow on. We have a variety of glass



containers, coconut shells, even wooden magnets to house your air plants. Join us for a Terrarium Workshop Thursday February 2nd at 5:30pm. You'll design and take home your very own terrarium! \$45 per person.

January Gardening Checklist

- Cut Forsythia, Quince and Pussy Willow branches to force for indoor blooming. Cut young sprays flush with the main branch and place in warm water in a bright window.
- Use dormant spray for disease control and spray oil for insect control on fruit trees. Apply while tree is dormant (leafless).
- Remember to water plants growing under eaves.
- Review garden plan. Now is the time to redesign on paper.
- Plan and purchase seeds for spring planting.
- Check stored bulbs and tubers. If dry, spray with water. Discard any that have rotted.
- Call Patt's to reserve your favorite rose varieties.

February Gardening Checklist

- Remember your Valentine with a gardening gift! (Hellebores, perhaps?)
- Repot stored geranium plants. Cut branches back to 4 inches. Soak roots overnight, stretch out and trim to 4 inches. Pot 4-6 inches deep and place in bright light in a cool room. Ideal method is to place in an unheated room with grow lights.
- Join us Feb 2nd for our Terrarium Workshop. 5:30-7pm
- Start cuttings from plants over wintering in the house. Set out in May.
- Bait for snails and slugs now - they don't hibernate!
- Prune trees and shrubs except for those that bloom in the spring—wait until they are finished flowering to prune spring bloomers.
- Pick up and dispose of all garden debris.
- Join us Feb 23rd for our Fairy Garden Workshop. 5:30-7pm
- Service and clean all garden machinery.
- Apply pre-emergent to flower and shrub beds for season-long weed and grass control. Most need to be watered in to achieve maximum results.
- Sow slow-growing annual, vegetable and herb seeds in flats indoors.
- Fertilize asparagus and rhubarb by side-dressing with well-rotted manure.
- Apply combination pre-emergent/fertilizer to lawn for crabgrass control. Timing is of the utmost importance.

March Gardening Checklist

- Begin spring clean-up. Remove winter mulches. Prepare beds for spring planting. Begin hardening off seedlings.
- **Prune roses. Join us at Patt's for Jerry Hendrickson's Rose Clinic - March 4, 10am.**
- Watch for aphids on new growth. Prevent with systemic drenches.
- It's not too late for crabgrass control.
- Sow warm-season vegetable and annual seeds indoors.
- Plant cool season annuals such as primroses and pansies for early spring color.
- Plant cool-season veggies (beets, spinach, lettuce, peas, radishes) and hardy annuals directly in the ground when all danger of hard frost is past and the ground has warmed.
- Divide and transplant perennials.
- Plant sweet peas. Remember to provide a support system.
- Fertilize trees and shrubs after they have leafed out. Ask our staff which fertilizer is best for your specific plants.
- Clean, paint and repair garden furniture.

Pretty Petunias

Do you remember Petunia 'Night Sky' from last year? Now that was a pretty Petunia: deep purple blooms speckled with white to resemble stars in the night sky. This year keep your eyes peeled for 'Pink Sky' - a raspberry pink bloom dotted with white, a perfect companion to its stellar cousin. You'll love these unusual choices in your containers for summer. Be sure to grab yours early! We will continue to grow most of our bedding plants and vegetables on site and roll them out of the greenhouses as soon as they are ready.



Radiant Roses

In the mood to add to your rose collection? As usual, we will offer a beautiful selection of roses from both Weeks Roses and Star Roses. New introductions for this year include Tropical Lightning, a climber with blooms in an unusual blend of rust orange and cream stripes with a smoky purple overlay reminiscent of a stormy



evening sky. Fans of the Downton Abbey TV series will love the newest in the Downton rose



collection: 'Violet's Pride' and 'Edith's Darling', a pair of regal roses with soft lavender and apricot blooms respectively, and strong classic rose fragrance.

If you have a favorite rose in mind and see it on our list, call us to reserve one today! We can hold it for you until it is ready to be planted.

Don't forget to join us for our annual Informational Rose Clinic with long-time rose grower and Master Gardener, Jerry Hendrickson on Saturday March 4th at 10am. Jerry will share his expert tips on growing blue ribbon roses in the valley and how to keep them healthy and thriving.

We have plenty of rose-growing supplies on hand—from fertilizer to gloves, insecticides and fungicides—so come see us this Spring!

Roses 2017

HYBRID TEAS

All American Magic	R/Y
All My Loving	P
Anna's Promise	O
*Bella'roma	P/Y
Big Momma	P
Blue Girl	L
Brandy	A
Ch-Ching!	Y
Chicago Peace	P/Y
*~Chrylser Imperial	R
Coretta Scott King	Co
*Crescendo	P/W
~~ Double Delight	R/W
Elina	Y
*Firefighter	R
Fire & Ice	R/W
~First Prize	P
*Fragrant Cloud	Co
Francis Meilland	
Gentle Giant	P
*Good as Gold	O
Hotel California	
*Ingrid Bergman	R
Just Joey	O
Legends	R
Marilyn Monroe	A
**Michaelangelo	Y
~Midas Touch	Y
*Miss All-American Beauty	P
*~Mister Lincoln	R
*Moonstone	P
^Mother of Pearl	S
Neil Diamond	P/W
*Neptune	L
Octoberfest	R/O/Y
*Oklahoma	R
Opening Night	R
*~Peace	P/Y
^Peter Mayle	P
Pink Traviata	P
Pope John Paul	W
*Pretty Lady Rose	P
**Queen Mary II	W
*Radiant Perfume	Y
*Rock & Roll	R/W
*Rouge Royale	R
*Sedona	Co
Smokin' Hot	R
^Strike It Rich	Y
Sunshine Daydream	Y
~St Patrick	Y
*Tahitian Sunset	A/Y
Traviata	R
Veteran's Honor	R
Voodoo	O

Symbol Code:

- ^ Own-Root
- ~ AARS Winner
- * denotes strong fragrance

FLORIBUNDAS

^Belinda's Dream	p
^Cinco de Mayo	Ru
Colorific	S
*Doris Day	Y
Easy Does It	A
Easy Going	Y
Easy to Please	P
Ebb Tide	Pu
^Fired Up	O/Y
^Gilded Sun	Y
Gingersnap	O
Hot Cocoa	Ru
~*Julia Child	Y
Ketchup & Mustard	R/Y
Lava Flow	R
^Livin' Easy	Y
Marmalade Skies	Co
~Mardi Gras	P/O
^Passionate Kisses	P
Playboy	O/Y
*Purple Tiger	Pu/W
Rainbow Sorbet	R/Y/P
*~Scentimental	R/W
Shockwave	Y
^Sparkle n' Shine	Y
*Violet's Pride	L
*White Licorice	W

CLIMBERS

*America	Co
Cupid's Kisses	P/W
Don Juan	R
^Eden	P
Fourth of July	R/W
^Fruity Petals	Co/Y
Joseph's Coat	Y/O
*Pearly Gates	P
^Pretty in Pink Eden	P
Red Eden	R
Sally Holmes	W
Sky's the Limit	Y
Tropical Lightning	O/Pu
^White Eden	W
*^Zephryne Drouhin	P

SHRUB

*^Cape Diamond	P
^Carefree Celebration	O
^Carefree Delight	P/W
^Carefree Spirit	R
^Children's Hope	R
*Edith's Darling	A
^Morden Blush	P
^Morden Fireglow	O/R
Oranges & Lemons	O/Y
Take It Easy	R/W
^White Meidiland	W

RUGOSA

*^Blanc Double de Coubert	W
^Hansa	P
^Linda Campbell	R
^Rosa Rugosa	P
^Therese Bugnet	P

MINIATURE

^Baby Paradise	P
^Coffee Bean	Ru
^Cutie Pie	P/Y
^Mandarin Sunblaze	O
Rainbow's End	Y/O/R
Starla	W
^Sweet Sunblaze	P
Tiddly Winks	O/Y
Winsome	P
You're the One	W/R/P

Color Code:

P—Pink, **R**—Red **W**—White
Y—Yellow **O**—Orange **Pu**—Purple
Co—Coral **S**—Salmon **A**—Apricot
L—Lavender **Ru**—Rust

Rose Pruning Workshop

Join rose expert Jerry Hendrickson at Patt's on **Saturday March 4th at 10am** for a free informational workshop about roses. Jerry will share tips on choosing great roses, pruning instruction and provide helpful hints for proper care for your established roses.



Reservations:

Call us at (509) 758-4104 to reserve your favorite roses! We'll tag them and call you when they're budded and ready for you to pick up!



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2017 Happenings

Mid February: Fresh annuals & perennials arrive. Look for potted spring bulbs, primroses, hellebores, pansies and more!

February 2nd: Terrariums: Join us for an evening filling glass terrariums with colorful, easy care airplants. We'll show you tricks for creating beautiful combinations and tips for keeping your plants healthy and thriving. **5:30-7pm. \$45**

February 23rd: Fairy Garden Workshop Join us for a fun evening creating magical fairy gardens. You'll take home your own miniature garden filled with tiny plants and whimsical accessories. All instruction and supplies are included. **5:30-7pm, \$75.**

First week in March: Nursery stock begins to arrive. Look for great shade trees, shrubs and more.

March 4th, 10 am. Free Informational Rose Clinic with Master Gardener and rose guru Jerry Hendrickson. Bring a pencil, you'll want to take notes!

April 13th: Easter Baskets: Hop into Patt's for the perfect Easter gift—a living Easter Basket! Treat yourself or somebunny you know to this fun class, an evening spent creating your own wicker basket full of plants, ribbons and all of the trappings of Springtime. We'll show you many combinations of blooming annuals, perennials and bulbs, even a few miniature accents! Class price includes all supplies and instruction. **5:30-7pm. \$45**

Spring & Summer Store Hours

Jan-March M-Sat 8-5pm Closed Sunday.
April—June M-Sat 8-5pm Sun 10-4pm