

Patt's Garden Center Quarterly

January, February, March 2018

Another year, another Spring

It's 2018! We'll spend these next two months working out our shipping schedules and planting things in our greenhouses. Winter is perfect for dreaming of warm days and bright blooms and we're sure to have something to cure your spring fever soon! Expect a fresh shipment of Primroses, Hellebores and Pansies the week of Valentine's Day. Speaking of Hellebores,

these winter blooming perennials make winter months more bearable with brilliant white or soft pink blooms from November to March. Plant one in a container by the front door to greet visitors, or in a flowerbed in afternoon shade. By the time the Hellebores are finished blooming, it'll be time for



Petunias. Won't that be nice?

Thank you all for playing along with our Posie adventures throughout the year; we've had so much fun sharing her with you.

See you soon!
Kate & the Patt's Staff



Superb Superbells

As usual, we'll be growing the majority of our vegetable and annual inventory right here at Patt's. We're trying a few Proven Winner varieties of Superbells Calibrachoa that you're sure to love. Calibrachoa or Millionbells are a tried and true annual that perform well in full sun and trail a profusion of blooms over the edges of containers all summer long without deadheading. New varieties like "Tropical Sunrise" and "Holy Moly" are sure to please.

Pair them in pots with your favorite annuals like Salvia, Purple Fountain Grass and Vinca.



Planning on Planting

It's great fun to flip through gardening magazines and glean inspiration from professional pages. It can be a bit overwhelming to suss out how to fit everything you want into the available space you have. Narrowing your plant choices to a certain theme can help maximize efficient space in pots and flowerbeds. A few fun combos to consider:

Tea anyone?

Grow spearmint, peppermint, catnip, chamomile, sage and lemon verbena.

Then, for a delicious brew, simply steep about three teaspoons of fresh leaves in one cup of boiling water for five minutes and sweeten, if desired.



Cook's Choice

Plant easy-to-grow herbs with strong flavors like dill, sage, garlic, chives, cilantro and parsley.

Pizza Time

Focus on five herbs found on pizza or in the sauce: basil, oregano, marjoram, rosemary and thyme.



Sweet Aromas

Choose plants with an emphasis on scent: mint, thyme, oregano, marjoram and lemon balm are all prime candidates.

Pickling Garden

Cucumbers are the traditional choice for pickling, but lots of other foods—beets, onions, peppers—are equally tasty pickled. And they're super easy to make if you use the refrigerator method, which doesn't require processing. Plant list: Beets, dill, carrots, cucumber, okra, onion, pepper, tomato.



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.
- Remember to purchase bird feed products for your feathered friends.
- Join us **January 20th for Soup & Shop Saturday**. Soup sampling starts at 11am, browse new products, too.

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 1st for our Pint-sized Planter 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 24th for our Fairy Garden Workshop. 1-3pm.
- 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 3 at 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.
- Join us March 29th for our Easter Basket Workshop, 5:30-7pm.
- 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.

WESTERN CHIEF®



Our favorite new arrival this season is a beautiful collection of functional and fashionable Western Chief boots for women. We have fun waterproof rainboots with colorful print designs, slip-resistant outsoles and mid-calf Vari-fit gusset technology, perfect for puddle stomping or rainy day walks. You'll love the beautiful slip-on neoprene garden clogs with memory foam insoles to provide maximum comfort while puttering in the yard; they're even cold rated to -20! Each boot comes in several styles and colors and Western Chief is a Seattle-based company—does it get any better?



Roses 2018

HYBRID TEAS

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| *California Dreamin' | W/P |
| Crimson Bouquet | R |
| *^Dee-Lish | P |
| Dick Clark | Cr/P/R |
| Dream Come True | Y/P |
| *Falling in Love | P |
| Fire n' Ice | R/W |
| *Fragrant Cloud | Co |
| *Good as Gold | O |
| *Ingrid Bergman | R |
| John F Kennedy | W |
| *Liv Tyler | Co |
| *Miss All-American Beauty | P |
| *~Mister Lincoln | R |
| *^Moonlight Romantica | Y/W |
| *Moonstone | P |
| ^Mother of Pearl | S |
| *Neptune | L |
| Octoberfest | R/O/Y |
| Over the Moon | A |
| *~Peace | P/Y |
| *^Peter Mayle | P |
| *Pink Peace | P |
| Pope John Paul | W |
| *Pretty Lady Rose | P |
| Queen Elizabeth | P |
| *^Queen Mary II | W |
| *Radiant Perfume | Y |
| Rio Samba | Y/O |
| Smokin' Hot | R |
| *^Sweet Mademoiselle | A |
| Veteran's Honor | R |
| Voodoo | O |

FLORIBUNDAS

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| ^Belinda's Dream | P |
| Betty Boop | R/W |
| ^Cinco de Mayo | Ru |
| Daybreaker | P/Y |
| *Doris Day | Y |
| Easy Does It | A |
| Easy Going | Y |
| Easy to Please | P |
| Easy Spirit | W |
| Ebb Tide | Pu |
| Gingersnap | O |
| ~*^Julia Child | Y |
| Jump for Joy | A |
| Ketchup & Mustard | R/Y |
| Lava Flow | R |
| ^Livin' Easy | Y |
| ~Mardi Gras | P/O |
| *Orchid Romance | L |
| Playboy | O/Y |
| *Purple Tiger | Pu/W |
| Rainbow Sorbet | R/Y/P |
| Sexy Rexy | P |
| ^Shining Moment | P |
| Showbiz | Y |
| ^Sparkle n' Shine | Y |
| *Sunsprite | Y |
| Trumpeter | O/R |
| *Violet's Pride | L |
| *White Licorice | W |

36" TREE ROSE

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| Drop Dead Red | R |
| Ebb Tide | Pu |
| Grande Dame | P |
| Over the Moon | A |

RUGOSA

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| ^Hansa | P |
| ^Therese Bugnet | P |

CLIMBERS

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| *America | Co |
| Blaze | R |
| Candyland | P/W |
| ^Cupid's Kisses | P/W |
| Don Juan | R |
| ^Eden | P |
| Fourth of July | R/W |
| ^Fruity Petals | Co/Y |
| Joseph's Coat | Y/O |
| Night Owl | Pu |
| *Pearly Gates | P |
| ^Pretty in Pink Eden | P |
| Red Eden | R |
| Royal Gold | Y |
| Sally Holmes | W |
| Sky's the Limit | Y |
| ^White Eden | W |
| William Baffin | P |

SHRUB

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|----------------------------|-------------|
| Austrian Copper | R/O/ |
| Bubble Double | P |
| *^Cape Diamond | P |
| ^Carefree Celebration | O |
| ^Carefree Delight | P/W |
| ^Carefree Spirit | R |
| ^Carefree Sunshine | Y |
| ^Children's Hope | R |
| ^Crimson Meidiland | R |
| Double Knockout | P |
| Double Pink Knockout | P |
| Easy on the Eyes | P |
| *Edith's Darling | A |
| Frida Kahlo | R/Y |
| Hot & Sassy | O/Pu |
| Nearly Wild | P |
| Oranges & Lemons | O/Y |
| *Parade Day | P/W |
| Peppermint Pop | P |
| ^Raspberry Rugostar | P |
| Rosie the Riveter | O |
| ^Sevillana | R |

Color Code:

P—Pink, **R**—Red **W**—White
Cr—Cream **Y**—Yellow
O— Orange **Pu**—Purple
Co—Coral **S**—Salmon
A—Apricot

Symbol Code:

^ Own-Root
 ~ AARS Winner
 * denotes strong fragrance

Rose Pruning Workshop

Join rose expert Jerry Hendrickson at Patt's on **Saturday March 3rd 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.



MINIATURE

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| ^Be My Baby | P |
| Daddy's Little Girl | P |
| Rainbow's End | Y/O/R |
| Ruby Ruby | R |
| ^Sweet Sunblaze | P |

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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Spring Happenings



January 20th—Soup & Shop Saturday. Soup sampling starts at 11am. Taste some of the delicious soups and scones available from Patt's Pantry while browsing the newest products in garden fashion, giftware and plant material.

February 1st—Pint Sized Planter Workshop, 5:30-7pm, \$25. Join us for a fun evening creating your own desktop planter with indoor succulents. You'll take home your own pint sized pot full of plants to enjoy.



February 24th—Fairy Garden Workshop, 1-3pm, \$65. Join us for an afternoon creating a miniature garden with tiny plants and adorable mini accessories. You'll take home a garden of your own design in a ceramic container.

March 3rd—Free Informational Rose Clinic. Join us for a free informational rose clinic led by rose aficionado and master gardener Jerry Hendrickson. Bring paper and pen—you'll want to take notes!

March 29th—Easter Basket Workshop, 5:30-7pm, \$45. Join us for an evening creating your own custom Easter basket full of spring blooming plants to gift to a loved one or keep for yourself.