

Patt's Garden Center Quarterly

April, May, June 2019

Hello, Spring

Springtime is finally upon us! Trees are budded, shrubs are blooming and a lot of our favorite perennials have started to show some color, which means we're ready for planting!



Enjoy 10% off all Shade, Flowering and Fruit trees throughout the month of April in celebration of Arbor Month!

We have some great seminars coming up from local and regional experts like the **Asotin County Master Gardeners Tree Clinic April 13th** and an **April 27th Conifer presentation from Jock Demme of Iseli Nursery in Oregon**. Keep an eye on our website and Facebook page for more details and fun events.

We have great gifts for every gardener including birdhouses and feeders, yard art and locally made tools. Our fresh selection of ceramic pottery and birdbaths has arrived, as well.

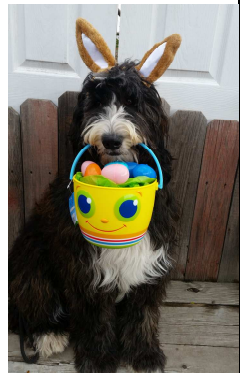
As always, the bulk of our bedding plants and vegetables are grown right here on site! Shop now for cool season veggies, seed potatoes and onions and look for your favorite tomatoes, peppers, cukes and more mid-April. Annuals are coming out of the greenhouses every day now, so come see us often for Petunias, Geraniums, Begonias and more!

- Kate and the Patt's Staff

Egg Hunt for Egg-cellent Savings!

Hop on into Patt's April 15th-20th for our Egg Hunt for Egg-cellent Savings! The entire week before Easter, we'll hide colorful eggs around the property.

Keep your eyes peeled while you shop! Find an egg and redeem it at checkout for a surprise discount. Limit one egg per visit.



A Conversation about Conifers

Are you interested in growing beautiful, unusual conifers in your yard? Mark your calendars for a presentation from our friend, salesman and "conifer connoisseur" Jock Demme of Iseli Nursery Saturday April 27th at 1pm. Jock will share all manner of conifer-growing information, from variety selection and site placement to fertilizing, durability and even



which conifers will grow well in containers. He'll discuss several great options from Iseli Nursery's amazing evergreen collection. You won't want to miss this!

April In The Garden

- ◆ Control root weevils now. New products available.
- ◆ Watch for slugs and snails. Control them before they multiply. Bait around new growth.
- ◆ When transplanting, use a solution of B-1 to encourage root growth and continue with a regular fertilizing schedule.
- ◆ Divide and rejuvenate perennials—share with a friend!
- ◆ Spray fruit trees after petal drop to prevent insects from ruining your fruit crop. Both chemical and organic options are available.
- ◆ Weed and thin strawberry beds.
- ◆ Apply rose systemic and fertilizer once 1 inch of new growth has emerged. Deep-water after feeding. Cut deadwood from climbing roses.
- ◆ Direct-sow or transplant cold tolerant herbs and vegetables. Thin early plantings of seedlings. Rotate crops yearly to replenish the soil and prevent the build-up of pathogens.
- ◆ Fertilize azaleas, rhododendrons, trees, shrubs, container plants, and fruit trees. Water thoroughly after fertilizing.
- ◆ If you have billbug damage (brown irregular shaped patches) to your lawn in the past, an April application of grub control may prevent the build-up of larva populations to damaging levels.
- ◆ Add yard debris from clean-up to the compost pile.
- ◆ Amend the soil with organic matter such as peat moss, compost, or well-aged manure.
- ◆ Now is the time to start adjusting the soil pH in order to change the color of your hydrangea blooms.
- ◆ Start to plant your potatoes and onions now.

May In The Garden

- ◆ Don't forget to leave May Baskets for your neighbors and loved ones!
- ◆ Pinch back fall-blooming chrysanthemums every two weeks through the months of May and June to thicken plants and delay bloom.
- ◆ Plant warm season crops and seed (melons, cucumbers, corn) when danger of frost has passed.
- ◆ Lightly fertilize newly transplanted seedlings.
- ◆ Beautiful Memorial Pots available week of May 21st.
- ♥ **Remember Mom w/a gift from Patt's! May 12th is Mother's Day!**

May In The Garden, cont.

- ◆ Begin planting annuals. Stop by Patt's to find your old favorites, as well as new and unique choices.
- ◆ Continue root weevil control.
- ◆ Deadhead rhododendrons by cutting off faded blooms.
- ◆ Apply liquid herbicide when weeds are still small and actively growing to control broadleaf weeds in lawns.
- ◆ Set out plants of tomatoes, eggplant, melons, cucumber, squash and peppers.

June In The Garden

- ◆ Spray roses for black spot and powdery mildew. If you've had problems in the past, spray as a preventative measure. Fertilize roses.
- ◆ **Join us for the Musical Garden Tour to benefit the WA-ID Symphony Saturday June 29th.**
- ◆ Thin and tie up brambles. Pinch runners on newly planted strawberries. Use netting to protect berries from birds. Top-dress established plants with fertilizer or compost.
- ◆ **Remember Dad with a gift from Patt's! Father's Day is June 16th.**
- ◆ Thin fruit after the trees naturally drop their unpollinated fruit. Thin triple clusters to doubles and double clusters to singles.
- ◆ Feed new and established lawns.
- ◆ Deep water (all the way through the roots) all plantings, including areas where automatic irrigation might not reach fully.
- ◆ Continue to pinch back mums.
- ◆ Harvest roses so the cut is just above a leaflet with five, not three, leaves. You won't get new growth (flowers) if you cut above a three-leaf leaflet.
- ◆ Clip hedges so they are slightly wider at the bottom than the top. If you shear hedges twice a year, do it early June and again in early fall. Avoid mid-summer pruning as it can lead to sunburn on tender shaded undergrowth.
- ◆ To keep groundcover and low perennials compact, shear them back after the blooms have faded. Water them well and scatter a complete granular fertilizer over the area.
- ◆ Snap the tender new growth of pines (called candles) in half to control their size.
- ◆ Deadhead faded blossoms to prevent seed from setting which reduces flowering.

Save the Date

The Washington-Idaho Musical Garden Tour is back again this year! Join us Saturday June 29th for the **Musical Garden Tour and Dinner**

Among the Flowers, a delightful event where you tour a trio of area gardens while enjoying live music from Symphony musicians and conclude your evening at Patt's Garden Center for a catered dinner and silent auction. The tour will be from 3:30-5:30pm, dinner, drinks and auction to follow. Featured gardens this year will be Garry and Barbara Bush, Dennis and Twylah Bowden and Steve and Penny Reale. More details and ticket information to come.



New Tools

Designed by his father and perfected by Darrel Inman, the Hoedag has been a family tradition for more than 50 years.

Made right here in Lewiston, this unique garden tool is part pick axe, part garden hoe, a combination that is perfect for loosening tough soil, weeding and slicing through roots. Lightweight and super sharp, the carbon steel blade on each tool is heat-treated for exceptional strength and the handle is made from seasoned hardwood. When Matt and Amy Coleman of Coleman Metal Works purchased the business in 2017, they brought their own twist to the popular tool, adding many items to the product line. Made with the same high quality standards as the original, these new tools will make a great addition to any garden shed. Check out their new Hoedag Shovel, Hoedag Garden Rake, Hoedag Hoe and the much-anticipated long-handled version of the original!

You'll love the durability of these tools, each even comes with a lifetime guarantee.



Raising Veggies

Thinking about building some raised beds this year? Build them in minutes with these handy InstaBraces! These decorative braces allow you to construct raised garden beds quickly and painlessly - no tools required! Use any 2x4, 2x6 or 2x8 boards. Construction is a cinch and corners are completely reusable! Fill the beds with a



blend of compost and soil and watch those veggies grow! We have WSU-made compost in bulk to help fill those beds.

Beautiful Baskets

If you've ever driven through Pomeroy in the summer, you've surely seen the glorious hanging baskets at **Meyers Hardware**. Tom was kind enough to share his secret recipe with us! Follow the recipe below for beautiful baskets:



1. Lily Miller Rose Systemic—mix into your potting soil at planting time. Add more in August.
2. Soil Moist Moisture Holding Crystals—add to soil at planting time.
3. Osmocote Fertilizer
4. GroMore 20-20-20 Fertilizer—starting in mid-July, use as a foliar feed every two weeks.
5. Keep Petunias dead-headed.

**Plant (3) 4" Wave Petunias in a 12" Hanging basket and follow Tom's recipe above for best results.*



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Spring Happenings at Patt's

Mark your calendars because we have a fun few months ahead of us!



April is Arbor Month! It's the perfect time to plant trees, so enjoy 10% off all Shade, Flowering and Ornamental trees throughout the month.

April 13th: Free Informational Tree Clinic with Asotin County Master Gardeners. 9am-10am. Bring your questions!

April 15th-20th Egg Hunt for Egg-cellent Deals: Keep your eyes peeled for colorful eggs around the nursery as you shop. Find an egg, redeem it for surprise discount inside. Limit one egg per visit.

April 18th: Easter Basket Workshop, 5:30-7pm, \$45. Join us for a fun evening creating a living Easter basket full of blooming plants and accessories. Call us at 509-758-4104 to sign up!

April 27th: A Conversation about Conifers with Jock Demme of Iseli Nursery. 1pm, Free.

May 11-13th: Mother's Day weekend SALE. Keep an eye out for advertisements in the Lewiston Morning Tribune and on Facebook.

May 20th: Memorial Pots are available. Come check out our selection!

June 18th: Father's Day weekend SALE. Watch for ads in the Lewiston Morning Tribune and on Facebook.

June 29th: WA-ID Symphony Musical Garden Tour and Dinner Among the Flowers. Tour three area gardens while enjoying music from the Symphony. Enjoy a finale performance, catered dinner and silent auction at Patt's after the tour. Tickets available at Patt's.

April-June Hours: Monday –Saturday 8am-5pm Sunday 10am-4pm