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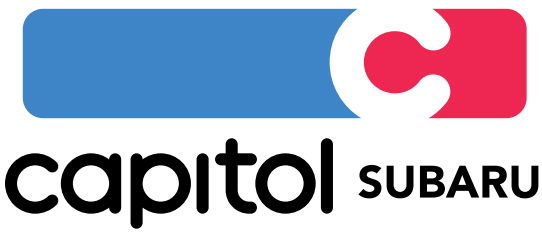
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## Truckin...

This month we are talking about 'truckin' and I'm not referring to the song by the Grateful Dead. For the Garden Time crew the term has a whole different meaning. For one, we started the season with a big move to another TV station, KPDX, in the Portland area. After a few weeks of dealing with getting the TV listings to put us on the right channel in the paper, we have had a great spring! Our garden viewers had found us and made us one of the most watched programs on Saturday mornings. Thanks!

Another reason for our 'truckin' theme is our moving of the show back to a half hour program. Every spring for the past few years we have had about 12 weeks of hour-long programs. When we reach the end of June we lose a lot of our advertisers. The summer heat sends people out of the garden and away on vacation; so our viewers and advertisers take a break, and so do we. Not to worry, we will still have shows until the end of November; they'll just be a little shorter.

Finally, our third reason for truckin' along, our garden tours. On the 17th of July we will have our first bus tour in the Willamette Valley. We will be stopping at 6 different gardens and growers during this day long trip. Our bus riders will get private 'behind the scenes' tours and even a few discounts at some locations. People will enjoy coffee and donuts, lunch and a wonderful farm to table dinner. You can check out the 'tours' link on the GardenTime.tv website for more information.

Speaking of truckin', you may have noticed that Capitol Subaru has been sponsoring a 'travel' section in our magazine. This little sidebar is a bunch of suggestions for garden-related events that are happening in the area. There are some cool places listed every month that you can visit. In this month's issue we also get to meet Linda Beutler who did a little traveling on her own as our Hortie of the month. In fact, we just found out that she was recently re-elected as the President of the International Clematis Society during their recent annual meeting in England. She is a great person and wonderful gardener. We're sure you will enjoy reading about her. While you are reading this month's issue, you should sit back and enjoy a nice cold one. Chef David has contributed a great piece on beer glasses and why the different shapes help you enjoy different beers. A truly refreshing piece!

One last reminder... if you are out gardening in this early summer heat and you start to feel hot, start 'truckin' inside for a break and a cool drink!

**Happy Gardening!**

**Jeff Gustin, Publisher**

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# IVY-LEAGUE ENIGMA

Although it is neither Swedish nor ivy, Swedish Ivy (Plectranthus) is the houseplant we love.

by Judy Alleruzzo

Plectranthus variegated





**Plectranthus 'Mona Lavender'**

Over 350 species of *Plectranthus* are found mostly in the warm climates of the Southern Hemisphere. The most widely known is commonly called Swedish Ivy. It's the houseplant we love of shiny, round green foliage with a little scalloped edge. While researching the back story, I found out that botanists have a disagreement if *Plectranthus australis*, native to Australia or *Plectranthus verticillatus*, native to Southeastern Africa is that old fashioned favorite. (Maybe one day they all will agree.) It is actually related to *Coleus* and in the mint family with its telltale square stems. So, this internationally known plant is not from Sweden or related to Ivy (*Hedera*). The name probably stuck because it was a popular houseplant in the country of Sweden!

The collection of *Plectranthus* species are found in an assortment of attractive foliage. The old fashioned Swedish Ivy occasionally blooms a tubular white to purple flower that rises above the foliage. It is also known as "The Money Plant".



**Plectranthus Old Fashioned Favorite Swedish Ivy**





**Plectranthus variegated hanging basket**



**Plectranthus Old Fashioned  
Favorite Swedish Ivy**

Legend says, if you have one in your home, you will never be in want of money. It's a good idea to give as a gift to promote good fortune.

Plectranthus are pretty easy to take care of as an indoor plant.

They require bright light with no direct sun.

Let the top 1 inch of the soil dry a bit between waterings.

Fertilize with an all purpose indoor plant fertilizer from April to August.

Since the '70s, when I first grew Swedish Ivy, there are a few new Plectranthus available as indoor plants or as summer annuals for containers and hanging baskets.

These new foliage textures and colors or the old fashioned favorite will brighten your home or garden.



**Container combo**



**Container combo**





### **Plectranthus 'Mona Lavender'**

Bred at Kirstenbosch Botanical Gardens in South Africa

Dark green foliage with purple undersides

Tall spikes of lavender-purple flowers

### **Variegated Swedish Ivy**

*Plectranthus variegata*

Green foliage with creamy white edge

Great to use in hanging baskets with other summer annuals or by itself

### **Purple Swedish Ivy**

*Plectranthus purpuratus*

Fuzzy green leaves tinged in purple

### **Gold/Green Swedish Ivy**

*Plectranthus* sp.

Gold with green streaks



**Plectranthus verticillatus**  
**Old Fashioned Favorite Swedish Ivy**



# A Night at the Movies

Get out with the family, meet members of your community and enjoy a great feature...in your neighborhood park!

by Therese Gustin

Tualatin

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Sometimes we overlook some of the best entertainment opportunities we have in our own backyards. It took some visitors from France to point out that Portland offers many family activities that are free all summer long. One of those opportunities is Movies in the Park.

Spending time in any of the numerous parks in the Portland Metro area is a great way to spend a summer day. Whether picnicking, playing Frisbee or walking the family dog, hanging out at the park under a nice shade tree helps you de-stress and enjoy a bit of summer relaxation.

One way to spend a little quality time with the family is to take in a movie. Many parks in the Portland Metro area and Salem offer free family friendly movies. Not only can you bond with your family and friends but you can meet other families in the community and conceivably create some lasting friendships.

Portland offers their "Summer Free for All" schedule of movies in the park with the added attraction of pre-movie entertainment. Starting at 6:30 in the

evening local musicians begin the night's festivities. Free popcorn will be served. Feel free to bring a picnic, blankets or sand chairs to sit on and jackets just in case it gets cool as the sun goes down. Movies start at dusk. Ratings range from G to PG-13.

*Check out the Portland parks website for August movies and more information. See page 10 for a list of titles and dates.*

Salem offers Movies in the Park at Salem's Riverfront Park amphitheater. Bring blankets, low back chairs, snacks or a picnic. No alcohol is allowed. Food will be available for purchase. You can park at the Carousel lot and at the north end of Riverfront Park.

Saturday, July 11th - Back to the Future 2 (rated PG and run time 108 minutes) will be showing.

Saturday, July 18th - The Box-trolls (rated PG and run time 100 minutes) will be showing.

All movies start at dusk.

*Check out the Salem Movies in the Park website for more infor-*

*mation and the August schedule.*

North Clackamas Parks and Recreation District offers "Summer Fun After Dark" with their movies in the park series. Their movies begin at dusk as well. They encourage you to bring a blanket and a picnic but they also offer pizza and drinks for sale.

Friday, July 17th - Grease at Village Green Park, 13792 SE Sieben Pkwy., Happy Valley

Friday, July 24th - The Lego Movie at Risley Park, 2350 SE Swain Ave., Oak Grove

Friday, July 31st - The Incredibles at Village Green Park, 13792 SE Sieben Pkwy., Happy Valley

*Check out the North Clackamas Parks and Rec. website for August's movie schedule and more information.*

Lake Oswego's Millennium Plaza Park, 200 First Street Lake Oswego, OR 97034 offers movies on Thursday nights. Bring your blankets, pillows, and low sand chairs and relax under the stars. Delicious popcorn and other tasty treats are available



for purchase. Movies start at dusk.

Thursday, July 23rd - Frozen Singalong (PG)

Thursday, July 30th - Big Hero 6 (PG)

*More information can be found at their website in the box below.*

Tualatin's movies on the Commons 8325 SW Nyberg St. are Saturday nights in July and August. Bring a picnic or purchase snacks and drinks from the members of the Tualatin Youth Advisory Council. Settle in for a movie starting at dusk.

Saturday, July 11th - Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day (PG)

Saturday, July 18th - Big Hero 6 (PG)

Saturday, July 25th - Finding Nemo (G)

*For more information and August's movie schedule check out their website in the box below.*

Gather the family, explore a new park and relax outside with family, friends and a movie in the park this summer! Visit your park after dark...and see it in a whole new light!

### Movies in the Park - More Information

#### Portland

[www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/489142](http://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/489142)

#### Salem

[www.salemmoviesinthepark.com](http://www.salemmoviesinthepark.com)

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• [www.WillametteValleyLavenderFestival.org](http://www.WillametteValleyLavenderFestival.org).

### Making Hypertufa Trough Planters

Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 2:00pm

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• [www.egangardens.com](http://www.egangardens.com)

### Cascade Nursery Trail Nursery Crawl

Sat.-Sun., July 25-26, 2015 • 10:00am-5:00pm

CNT Nurseries, Between Portland & Salem, OR

Visit ALL the nurseries - answer the question at each one to participate in a drawing for a GRAND PRIZE \$250 SHOPPING SPREE. Come see what summer offers for your garden in flowers and foliage!

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## SUMMER 2015 - PORTLAND MOVIES IN THE PARKS

DATE	LOCATION & ADDRESS		BUS/MAX	MOVIE TITLE	PRE-MOVIE ENTERTAINMENT
Wed, July 8	Peninsula Park, 700 N. Rosa Parks Way		#4, #44, #72	Despicable Me 2 (2013) PG	Echoes of Yasgurs & Portland Teen Idols
Thu, July 9	Woodlawn Park, NE Claremont & Oneonta		#8, #75, #6	The Princess Bride(1987) PG	Manimalhouse & Portland Teen Idols
Fri, July 10	Wilshire Park, NE 33rd & Skidmore		#70, #17, #24	How to Train Your Dragon 2 (2014) PG	Echoes of Yasgurs
Sat, July 11	Kenilworth Park, SE 34th & Holgate Blvd.		#17, #75, #10	The Lego Movie (2014) PG	The Sale
Sun, July 12	Glenhaven Park, NE 82nd & Siskiyou	  	#72, #24, #12	The Book of Life (2014) PG (in Spanish with English subtitles)	Conjunto Alegre
Thu, July 16	King School Park, NE 6th & Going St.		#72, #6, #44	The Karate Kid (1984) PG	Global FM & Portland Teen Idols
Thu, July 16	Portland Art Museum / South Park Blocks, 1219 SW Park Ave.	 	#6, #38, #45	Jason and the Argonauts (1963) G	The Terry Robb Trio
Fri, July 17	Irving Park, NE 10th & Fremont		#24, #6, #8	The Imitation Game(2014) PG-13	The Definition & Brothers Jam
Sat, July 18	Glenhaven Park, NE 82nd & Siskiyou	  	#72, #24, #12	Back to the Future(1985) PG (in English with Spanish subtitles)	All Together Now
Sat, July 18	St. John's Park, 8427 N. Central		#4, #16, #44	Annie (2014) PG	The High Water Jazz Band
Sun, July 19	Lents Park, SE 92nd & Holgate		#17, #10, #9, Max Green Line	The Goonies (1985) PG	The Portland School of Rock & Portland Teen Idols
Wed, July 22	Reed College (sports field), SE 33rd & Steele		#19, #10	Big Hero 6 (2014) PG	The Sale
Thu, July 23	Grant Park, NE 36th & Brazee	  	#70, #77, #12	Kuky se vrací (2010) NR (in Czech with English subtitles)	Klezocracy
Fri, July 24	Woodstock Park, SE 50th & Steele		#10, #71, #19	The NeverEnding Story(1984) PG	Manimalhouse
Sat, July 25	Lents Park, SE 92nd & Holgate	  	#17, #10, #9, Max Green Line	Wreck-It Ralph (2012) PG (in Russian with English subtitles)	Music provided by the Slavic Festival
Sat, July 25	Concordia University, 2811 NE Holman		#17, #75, #70	Labyrinth (1986) PG	Hot Club Time Machine
Wed, July 29	Jackson Middle School, 10625 SW 35th		#43, #12, #64	The Emperor's New Groove (2000) G	The Terry Robb Trio & Portland Teen Idols
Thu, July 30	Elizabeth Caruthers Park, 3508 SW Moody	 	#35, #36, #43	The Princess Bride(1987) PG	The Jellyroll Society
Fri, July 31	Laurelhurst Park, SE 37th & Oak		#75, #66, #15	Toy Story 2 (1999) G	Manimalhouse & Portland Teen Idols
Fri, July 31	Gateway Park, NE 106th & Halsey	  	#23, #77, #22	Field of Dreams (1989) PG (in English with Spanish subtitles)	The Sale





## 2015 Cascade Nursery Trail Crawl

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# On the Edge

**One of the easiest ways to have an amazing-looking garden is to have clean edging of the lawn.**

**by William McClenathan**

## **Poured concrete edging**

Generally, when someone considers what a beautiful lawn is, they think lush green, soft, and weed free.

Now while all those things are certainly accurate, one of the most effective ways for a lawn to look stunning is the edges.

But how does one get crisp, clean edges on a lawn?

Years ago at a summer garden party, my friend Theresia Hazen of the Legacy Healthcare Systems said to me that she could not help but notice the beautiful edging of the lawns in my gardens. She said, "I wish people would understand that you might have weeds in your lawn, but by mowing it properly, and having clean, well defined edges, you can get away with the weeds."

I never forgot that bit of wisdom.

Years later, at one of the private gardens we visited in our Garden Time Tour of Victoria BC, I

remembered this bit of wisdom as I noticed the edging of the lawns. They were...perfect.

While most people were consciously aware of the amazing plants in this garden, we all were subconsciously aware of everything. That is how humans are.

So this is an article on edging your lawns.

There are as many ways to accomplish this as there are gardeners. But ultimately, the goal is to just do it.

Because one of the easiest ways to have a garden which looks amazing, is to have clean edging of the lawn areas.

In my gardens, I have always just used a weed whacker to do my edging. I keep a crisp edge by once a year cutting them with a shovel, then use the weed whacker on a weekly basis to keep the edges clean.

This is fast, cost effective and easy.

But for those who want to, here are a few more ideas to start you thinking about ways to edge your lawns.

Steel edging was very popular in Texas where I lived for many years. Almost all garden centers there carried it. Although it was harder to install, it did allow one to keep the running types of grass used there in place easier. The down side was that steel can hurt people and animals when they stub their toes or fall while running in the yard.

I personally still like it because all you have to do to keep the lawn perfectly edged is to use a weed whacker and run it right along the steel edging. Very simple.

I also saw a yard while filming recently that went a step further and added bricks right behind the steel edging. This changed





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**Log-lined flower bed**



**Pond-edging logs**

the look completely and transformed plan old steel edging into a much more custom feel.

Of course wood can be used for edging too. Whether small limbs cut and stood on end, or 4x4's laid flat, or even old railroad ties...the only limit to using wood is one's creativity and the money involved in purchasing it.

Remember too that untreated wood tends to rot much faster than treated. But then, some people would not want treated wood if they have concerns about what the wood has been treated with to keep it from rotting as quickly. Those are individual concerns which each person will have to consider.

Stone edging lasts a long time, but is more cost prohibitive.

You can build great edging out of stones right from your garden beds, like at Out in the Garden, or buy many forms of premade ones as well. These forms of edging are often limited only by our wallets and how much we wish to spend.

One inexpensive way to edge a lawn is the black plastic forms used to edge pathways made from pavers. Being plastic, they tend to be less harmful if one falls on them, but still do the job of keeping lawns within their bound-

aries, and can still be used as a guideline for the weed whacker or an actual edging machine.

One of my personal favorite edging methods was companies which would come out and pour a 'curb' around the lawn area. This allowed the gardener to have whatever style of design they wanted because the pouring process could be very tight curves. It was great for fluidity of lines. This was cool to me because they often had a design which would allow one wheel of the mower to be on the curb to assist with a great flat height to the lawn. But this was not an inexpensive way to go. Also, it limits change in the lawn and the beds. And we avid gardeners know that we seldom rest on our laurels! Change always seems to occur in our garden designs.

Enter Roxblock Hardscape from Canada. They have an edging which is similar to the poured concrete, but you buy it and place it in yourself. This design allows for the changes that often happen in a garden.

Whatever way you desire to do it, find the time to create the perfect edging for your lawn. It will make people take notice and add the perfect look to your garden. Making people think you have a fulltime gardener, without the cost of doing so.







# By the Book

**A passion for literature and plants has taken Linda Beutler from reading books to writing them.**

**by William McClenathan**

**Linda Beutler**

*"In a month there will be purple stars on the clematis, and year after year the green night of its leaves will hold its purple stars."*

--Oscar Wilde

When I consider Clematis, one name always jumps to my mind, Linda Beutler.

How easy then to write about Linda for this month's Hortie, as this is the time of year when this lovely flower shows many of its most breath taking, gaudy blossoms for the world to gaze upon.

But as with all humans, there is such a tapestry to Linda's life, so much more than just the glorious Clematis, which defines her to many of us.

A 5th generation Oregonian on her Mother's side, she was relegated to a 3x3 patch of soil in the garden by her mom when she was a child.

Not so much because her mother

did not want her gardening with her, but moreso because her mother was one of those unique humans whose life was so deeply connected to nature that she would become lost in her gardens.

Giving Linda her own space allowed for both of them to accomplish their passions.

Linda's first plants were radishes and green beans. I suspect this is where Linda's disdain for slugs was birthed, as her radishes never came to fruition, instead, being fed upon by slugs. She was 5 years old. To this day, she still loathes slugs, but they seem to not be offended by that. They still find her, and she still ends them...the continuing cycle of life.

Linda's path did not lead her directly to horticulture though. It curved into a degree in English Literature.

After which she worked for nine

years at the Multnomah County Library. But even during this time of her life, she was still connected to horticulture. She began collecting books for her own gardening library, never realizing that in her future, she would have books that she had authored in it.

But there were always signs of where she would end up. For instance, as a young adult, she would have the family holiday celebrations at her home. But unlike most people who concentrate on the menu first, Linda would find herself creating the most delightful centerpieces, forcing the menu to take a backseat to the designing of the flower arrangement.

It should then come as no surprise that Linda eventually left her position at the library and studied floral design. For the next decade or so she became a florist, still living out her passion for gardening, but without the need for her war on slugs.



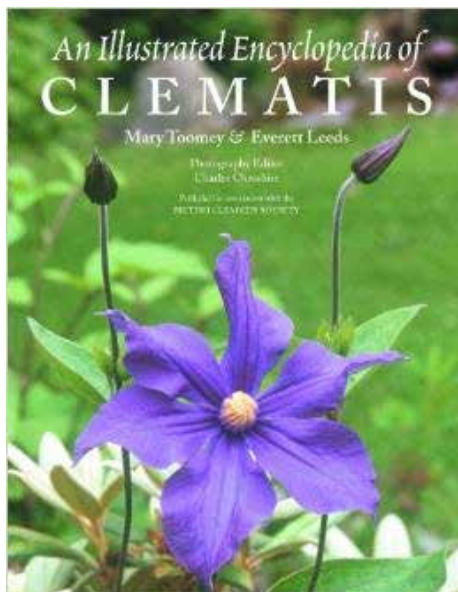
During this time, she rented the bottom floor at the home of Lucy Hardiman. This began a friendship which is still going to this day, and will last their entire lifetimes. Two amazing women who simply adore nature.

But as all things tend to change, her marriage in December of 1991 forced her to move to the home she still lives in today in Sellwood.

Linda planted three roses and three Clematis that first year in her new home.

She still remembers all three Clematis. They were *C. integrifolia*, *C. davidiana* and *C. derandii*. The last one was gifted to her by Brewster Rogerson.

Sadly, at the time of writing this article, Brewster had passed recently. I could see the sadness in Linda's sparkling eyes as she told me this in our interview. I too felt a twinge of heartfelt pain at losing such a great and passionate man in the horticulture world.



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Also, during the '90s, Linda began to teach classes at Clackamas Community College. It was the spring of 1996 when she taught her first class. She is still teaching today and is a part time faculty member there.

She did not receive her degree in literature for nothing though, as she began writing for Gardening Showcase. When she realized she could actually make money writing, a whole new chapter in her life opened up.

She was contacted by Morris Horn of Joy Creek to write a chapter in Mary Toomey's "Illustrated Encyclopedia of Clematis", on growing Clematis in the NW which was published in 2001.

By then, she had already become a part of a group of avid Clematis fans. She thought she could write a book on growing Clematis in the PNW.

Now, she has. Published by Timber Press, her newest book, "Plant

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Lovers Guide to Clematis" will be out in Spring of 2016.

But even before this book, she had already penned "Garden to Vase", released in 2007 and is still available on Amazon.

If all of this were not enough, her truest passion came to full fruition in 2005 when Brewster, through a 'Deed of Gift' gave Lusher Farms his dramatic Clematis collection. Linda was placed at the helm of steering this massive undertaking.

The name changed from the Rogerson Clematis Collection to the Rogerson Clematis Garden and became a part of the 'American Public Garden Association' joining such renowned gardens as Longwood, Chanticleer, and Huntington Botanical Gardens.

It should be noted here that Linda also became the first female to be the president of the "International Clematis Society", also making her the first person from North America to hold that position.

Something else which is of interest is that in 2014, she won the Silver Ippy Award for best fan fiction with her writing of "Red Chrysanthemum", a story of fan fiction on Jane Austin.

Linda suspects she has a small, deeply disturbed group of fans of this writing, but they gave her a 4.5 out of 5 star rating and she won the award. What's not to love about that?

Now, Linda has set her sights on creating a full time position for the Rogerson Clematis Gardens at Lusher Farms.

She also will continue to teach at Clackamas Community College ([www.clackamas.edu/horticulture](http://www.clackamas.edu/horticulture)) and author great books of all types ([www.timberpress.com](http://www.timberpress.com)).

But still, in her heart, she is that little girl who was told not to cross the street to get to the beach, so she and her friends found a culvert to crawl through so they could expand their exploration. Not disobeying the demand from her parents as much as finding a way around the rules without breaking them.

Clever.

And she still to this day, will gather flowers like she did for her mother when she was just a kid, and like her mom did, will place them in a mason jar in the kitchen.

And even though when she was a child, Linda remembers her dad stopping by the side of the road to dig up an unique plant to take home to their gardens, she now does her rare plant searches and purchasing at nurseries. Always adding new and







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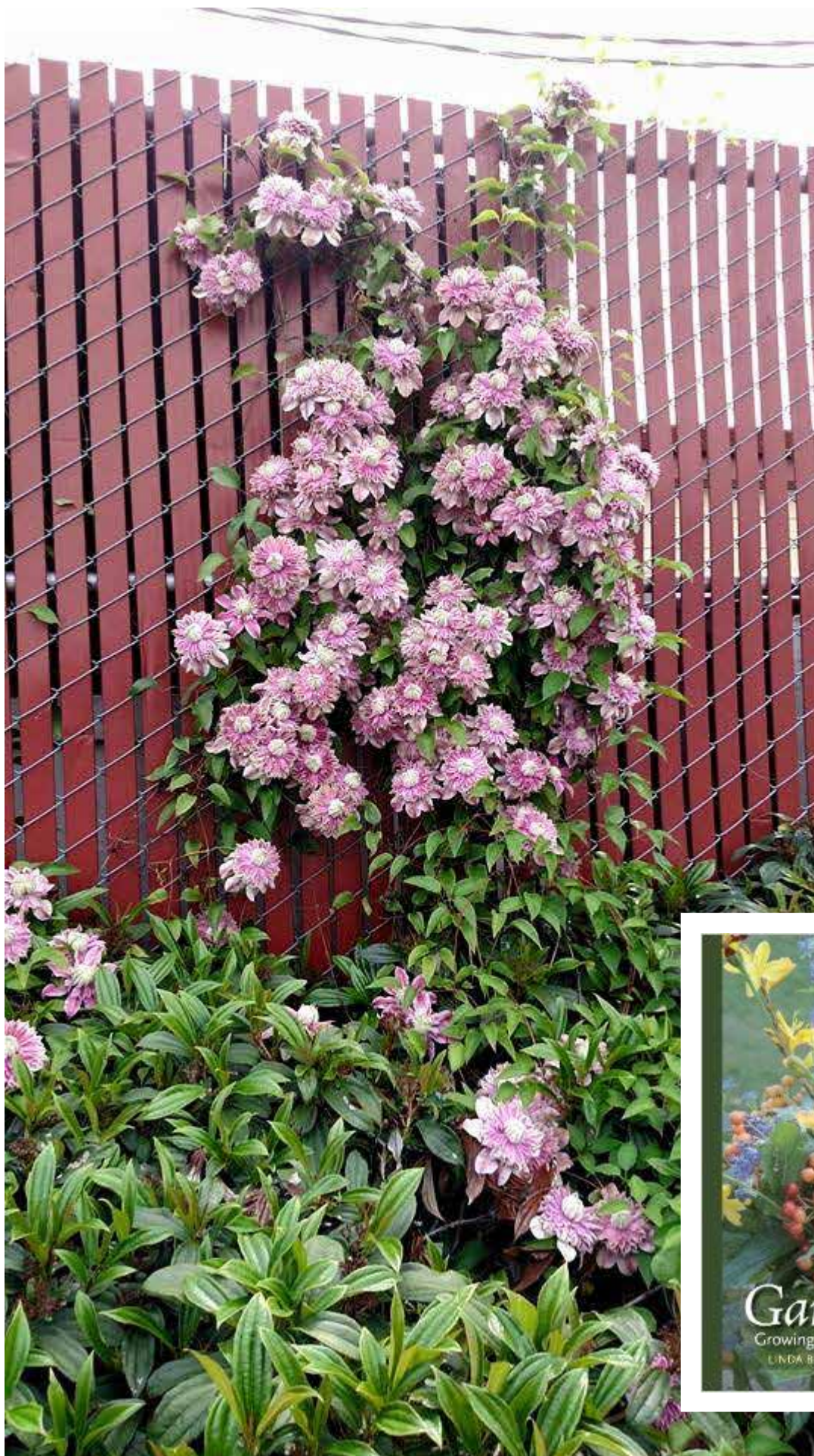
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unusual selections to the gardens at the same house she and her husband Larry bought when they got married, and still live in today.

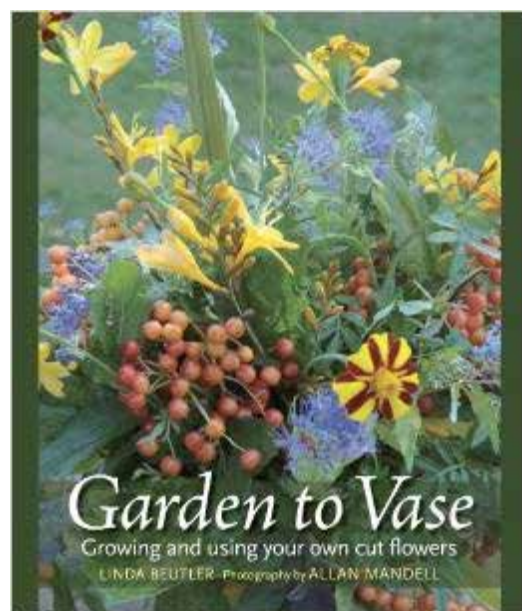
The more things change, the more they stay the same. This is wonderful for everyone who knows Linda B.

Well, except for the slugs....

*Authors note; It is with great pleasure that I tell you that since the writing of this article, Linda was just re-elected for another 2 year term as President of the International Clematis Society the 3rd week of June 2015.*

*All of us at Garden Time are thrilled beyond words for her continued success, and her never ending passion for Clematis and all things gardening.*

*Congratulations Linda!*





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# Savory the Moment

A lesser-known herb called savory can add a savory touch to any meal.

by Therese Gustin

I have to admit when I think of savory I think of a flavorful noticeably 'unsweet' taste in food... not an herb. This article however is dedicated the lesser known culinary herb 'savory'. There are two distinct kinds of savory: summer and winter. Summer savory (*Satureja hortensis*) is an annual and has a more subtle flavor than the more intensely flavored winter savory (*Satureja Montana*) which is a perennial. The name savory originates from the word satyr, the mythical creature with an insatiable lust. For ages summer savory has had the reputation as a powerful aphrodisiac, while winter savory has been its opposite, suppressing desire. Now both are popular in spice mixes and gardens around the world. In fact, winter savory shrubs made popular hedges in Tudor herb and knot gardens and in shrub mazes.

Both types of savory can be grown from seed or cuttings. Summer savory seeds need to be planted fairly shallow, only about 1/8th of an inch deep and about 3 to 5 inches apart. Plant in loamy well draining soil. Allow plants to grow to a height of 6 inches before you start to harvest leaves for cooking. Use only the tender part of the plant when you are using fresh savory for cooking. You can harvest the entire plant at the end of the season and dry the leaves for future use.

Winter savory seeds can be planted either indoors or outdoors. If planting indoors, make sure to plant the seeds after all danger of frost. If planting indoors start the seeds two to six weeks before the last frost. Plant the seeds or seedlings in your garden in a sunny area 1 to 2 feet apart. The plants will get large. Use the leaves and stems from the most tender part for cooking. Harvest the leaves and dry them for later use.

Savory can be used to infuse flavor into vinegar as well as herbed butters and tea. Savory is a key player in many spice mixes. To make your own spice mix you can dry savory and grind it with dried thyme, rosemary, and sage. Dry herbs in separate batches in an oven set to 200° F for several hours, stirring occasionally. When all the batches are dried, grind them together in a food processor and store in an airtight container. Savory spice mixes pair well with hearty foods, like beans and game. Sprinkle with salt and pepper over chicken or red meat before roasting for a richer flavor.

The spice of love, savory will add a savory touch to any meal.

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Flowering summer savory

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Winter savory



## Savory Beef Stew

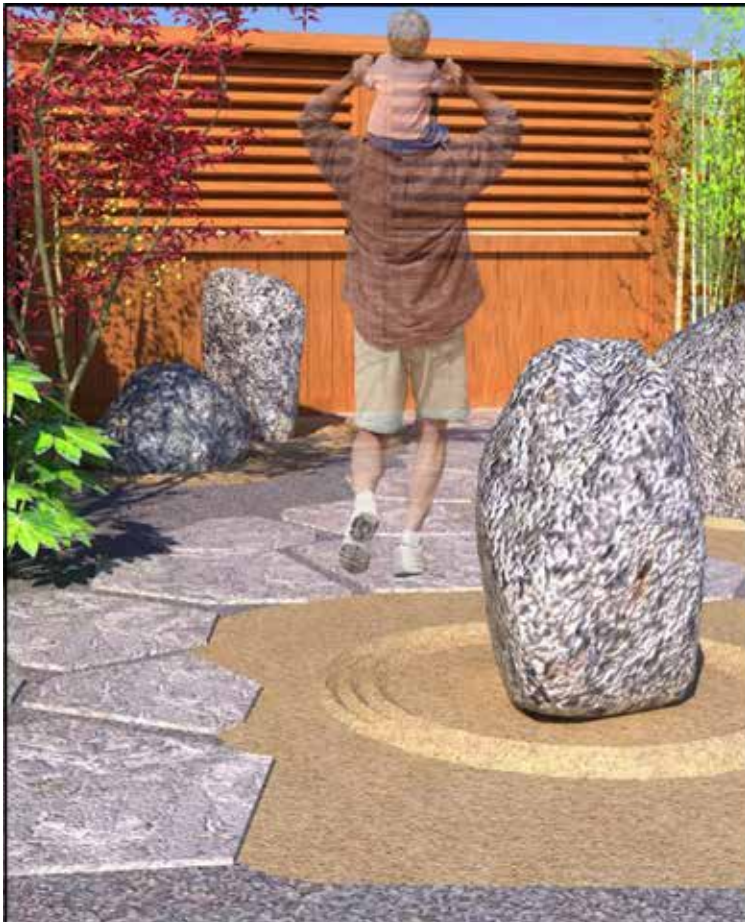
3 Tbs flour  
1 ½ pounds beef stew meat, cut into 1 inch cubes  
2 Tbs cooking oil  
½ cup chopped onion  
2 cloves garlic, minced  
½ tsp dried thyme  
1 tsp dried savory  
3 cups vegetable juice cocktail  
1 tsp instant beef bouillon granules  
Tabasco to taste  
2 medium potatoes, peeled and cubed  
1 ½ cups sliced celery  
1 ½ cups sliced carrot

In a plastic bag combine flour and 1 teaspoon of salt. Add meat cubes, a few at a time, shaking to coat. In a large saucepan brown meat, half at a time, in hot oil. Return all meat to saucepan; add onion, garlic, thyme, and savory. Stir in vegetable juice, bouillon, Tabasco, and 1 cup of water. Bring to boil; reduce heat. Cover, simmer for 1 ¼ hours or until meat is nearly tender. Stir in potatoes, celery, and carrot. Cover, simmer for an additional 30 minutes. Serve with crusty bread.



Winter savory

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# A Touch of Glass

*Using a glass can improve your beer-drinking experience.*

by David Musial

Be still my beating heart, July is here and that means it's Oregon Craft Beer Month. So could anything be better than Craft Beer Month? Well maybe one thing. Trading in those plastic festival cups for a real glass!

Right now you might be thinking that he must be some kind of beer snob, but that's not the case. I'll drink a Budweiser after mowing the lawn, on a hot summer day, like anyone else. I just don't tell anyone. The truth of the matter is that using a glass can improve your beer-drinking experience.

A few years back I might not have agreed with that statement, but that was before I attended a beer seminar (still not a beer snob, it was for story research); at Rogue Farms in Independence, that provided education on the benefits of different styles of beer glasses. It was then that I became a convert to the benefits of drinking beer from a glass.

Before sharing the benefits of using glasses and the types of glasses commonly found, a little beer drinking vessel history is in order.

Originally, the purpose of a beer drinking vessel was solely for holding the liquid. It was difficult to drink out of a keg and sharing a jug with a medieval stranger could spread the plague. Animal skins, terracotta and wood were the materials used for the original drinking vessels.

Steins were created later and made out of stoneware, pewter and wood. They added a hinged lid for sanitary reasons and to

keep out insects. Pewter was not the best choice as it contained lead. I'll have a pint of porter and a side of lead poisoning please.

In the 1700s glass vessels were being made and it was at this time that English royalty commissioned ornate glass vessels. Not sure you really wanted to see the beer poured in the 1700s but now you could.

Fast forward to today and we are



Back in the day, this is what your local tavern used to serve beer.

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Great skill is required when drinking from the Yard of Ale.

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still using glasses. However, in the past the primary function of a beer drinking vessel was to hold the liquid. Now the function is to obtain the most pleasure from your beer. This has changed the form or shape of beer drinking glasses.

The shape of a glass affects aroma, head retention, visual appearance and temperature. Some glasses are narrow at the top to focus the aroma while others are designed to improve head retention. The foam in your beer traps carbonation and aromas. As the tiny bubbles burst, your nose will be rewarded with a bouquet of aromas. Glasses that are tall and narrow allow more light through creating a visually appealing appearance, while glasses made of thin glass will keep your beer colder.

Yes, science has shown that a thinner glass will keep your beer colder. They found that the thick glass absorbs the cold from the beer faster than thin glass, thus making your beer get warmer and go flat sooner. However, I have not been able to duplicate their results. Possibly because my pint glass is empty before a temperature change can occur.

In Europe, you will find that most brewers have a different glass for every beer that they produce. That is a lot of different glasses, but they can be fun to collect. To enjoy your beer, you really only need a few different styles as most glasses are designed to be used with more than one style of beer.

Let's explore some of the common and uncommon glasses, and the beer they should highlight.

### Beer Mugs

Beer mugs were once the most common glass used. Having evolved from beer steins, and known as seidels in Germany, their thick glass makes them durable and strong enough to clink together for a toast. The handle



**Festival yes, plastic mug no.**

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keeps your hand off the glass and from transferring heat to the beer. Some beer mugs have large dimples on the side which is said to improve the visual appearance of the beer. Glass sizes vary.

Suitable for most beer styles but best with a lager or pilsner.

### Pilsner Glass

The pilsner glass has been around for a long time and next to the beer mug, probably the most well known glass. Tall and narrow with tapered sides, this glass highlights the beer's color, clarity and carbonation while the narrow top focuses the aroma. These glasses are typically less than sixteen

ounces.

Best with lighter beers such as a lager or pilsner.

### Hefeweizen Glass

The hefeweizen glass is often confused with the pilsner glass. Although both are tall and narrow, the hefeweizen glass is taller and curves near the top, while the pilsner glass has a straight taper. This glass is normally thin walled and highlights the beer's color. It's thought that the base of the glass is designed to trap the yeast after pouring an unfiltered beer. The wider top encourages a thick head of foam to better appreciate the beer's aroma. Most are .5 liters.

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Early steins were made of wood, stoneware or pewter.

Use for...you guessed it, hefeweizen.

### Pint Glass

#### American

The American pint glass is currently the most popular glass in use. It is stackable and durable. Some call it the shaker glass as it is commonly used by bartenders as a cocktail shaker. The wide mouth allows ample room for an aromatic head of foam.

This all purpose glass works great with almost any beer style but American ales, lagers and pilsners shine best.

#### British or Nonic

The British or nonic glass is the standard glass in England. It is similar to an American pint glass but the glass is thinner and it has a curved outcropping about two inches below the lip. The curve helps keep the glasses from sticking when stacked, unlike the American pint glass that seems to want to form a vacuum seal when stacked. For me they have a great feel in the hand. They hold an Imperial pint or about twenty ounces and will have crown stamped on them to represent the same. They also make a half pint glass which I use when sharing beer from a bottle.

Use this glass for English ales, stouts, porters and bitters.

#### Goblet or Chalice

Basically a bowl on a stem, the goblet has a very wide mouth to allow lots of aroma. Some are etched on the inside bottom of the bowl to encourage a steady stream of bubbles. They come in a variety of shapes and sizes.



A Pilsner glass will highlight clarity, color and carbonation.



The Omnis glass for serious tasting.

A great choice for heavier beers such as bocks, Belgium ales and other high alcohol beers.

### Unusual

Finally, three glasses of unusual quality.

First, of interest to college students is the beer boot or bierstiefe. Shaped like a boot and with possible ties to the German military, this glass can be a challenge to use without getting beer on your face, so do your research before using.

Next up is the yard of ale. Another acrobatic glass with a secret needed to stay dry. Thought to be designed for coachmen to transport their beer without spilling while traveling. Now it is used for beer drinking feats and toasts.

Lastly is the Omnis by Offero (see photo). This glass is specifically designed to allow for maximum aroma. The glass tapers in at the top to focus aroma and the lip is cut at an angle so you to get your nose right into the glass. It almost forms an aroma trapping beer mask. I received two as a gift (down to one now...thanks son Luke) and they are best when you want to do some serious tasting as they are not as practical as other glasses.

If you are still in search of more styles of glassware, check out the stange, willybecher or willibecher, tulip or thistle glass. Also, take a look at Samuel Adams lager pint glass or their Utopias glass made in partnership with Riedel to enhance the drinking pleasure of their Utopias, an American strong ale.

An additional point to make is that most sourc-





The beer boot or biersstiefe. Who says getting the boot is a bad thing?



A northwest favorite, Widmer Hefeweizen served in a Hefeweizen glass.

es indicate that thick glasses; like mugs and pint glasses, help to keep you beer colder. This is in direct conflict with science and who can argue with science. Well maybe you can't argue with science, but it can be challenged. Test the theory out for yourself.

To get the most pleasure out of your glasses there are a few care tips. Don't place them in the dishwasher. That can create a film in the glass that affect carbonation and head retention. Also, glasses should be hand washed with a mild detergent. They can be air dried or dried with a lint free towel.

With all of this information, I leave you with a test. Grab a bottle of stout (used due to its complex flavor) and pour some in a pilsner glass and the rest in a goblet. Smell the aroma in the pilsner glass and then compare that to the aroma in the goblet.

In the pilsner glass, you will probably only note one or two dominate aromas, but in the goblet, you should

notice all the complexity and multiple layers of aroma that open up. OK, that sounded like a beer snob.

Give a new style of glass a try and see what you think. The best part of the process is that you get to drink beer. Rather you choose to stay with your pint glass or add some new glass styles to your collection, your beer drinking experience can only get better when drinking out of a glass. Cheers!

**Goblet or Chalice are ideal for heavier beers.**



**Pint glasses from left to right American, British or Nonic and Tulip.**





# WTDITG

**OK, July is officially summer... even if it is cool and rainy on some days. Be sure to take time to enjoy your yard. You've been working hard since January. Now, relax and soak in the beauty of a space you can call your own. Invite a few friends over, too, and let them see what a great job you've done!**

## PLANNING



- Plan to take time to have fun out in the garden now that most of the harder work is done! Maybe have a garden party to help celebrate all you were able to get done this spring. In other words, enjoy your garden and take time to relax out in it.

- If the first flower baskets were a flop because you went away for a few days and no one watered them, there are always more. So if for some rea-

son the ones you got earlier are not looking too great, give them a haircut, let them re-grow and in the meantime hang up some new fresh color just in time for the BBQs!



- Time for a little Garden Journal writing? Take the time to sit out in your garden and make lots of notes now, so next year you'll be ready for even more

gardening successes.

## PLANTING

- Annual flowers are still plentiful this time of year, so you can pop in as much color as you'd like for the summertime display.



Add planters to decks and patios for that lush saturation of color you can get from annual flowers. Always

use a good quality potting soil in planters.

- Summer and fall blooming perennials are always available

this time of year and great to add some super color punch to the garden. We recommend you plant perennials in groups of 3-5 or more instead of onesie-twosies.

- Planting landscape trees and shrubs now is OK. It may be a bit harder to keep the young plants watered as often as they need this time of year but be assured that most of the time you can plant year-round. The rules are if you can dig the soil (not frozen) you can plant. Work in organic compost to the planting area and then make sure you mulch the

plants with compost or bark to help conserve precious moisture at the root zone.



- Look for blueberries and other fruit bearing plants to plant. As tasty as blueberries

are its hard to grasp they are so good for us too. Wouldn't it be fun to have a red, white and blue dessert with your own fresh strawberries, whipped cream and blueberries on the 4th of July?

## TASKS, MAINTENANCE & CLEAN-UP

- Check on your watering... are you watering deep enough or just getting the top of the soil damp? Dig down a little into the soil and make sure the water is getting down into the root zone. Morning

is the best time to water, not evening. If you have to water in the evening, just water the soil leaving the foliage dry overnight to reduce possibility of diseases.



# What To Do In The Garden

## JULY

- Are you watering too often?

Plants roots need to come up for air, unless it's a water lily! You should water deeply when you water and then let the top of the soil dry out a bit.



- Give your hanging baskets a mid-season haircut, cutting half of the long growth off, and shaving off the top 3-5" of growth. Keep the hanging baskets going strong with regular feeding. Apply fertilizer every other watering.

- Do a weed patrol around the landscape and vegetable garden. Taking care to get them while

they are small is a much easier task. Do a light hoeing, frequently and if possible just before a sunny day. The exposure to the sun kills small weed seedlings quickly.

- Stake the taller perennials like delphinium and hollyhock and check the tomato plants. Staking allows for better air circulation and less chance of disease.



- If you're growing asparagus and rhubarb get any weeding in the beds done this month, then apply an organic fertilizer. Then apply fresh topdressing of mulch.

- Keep a lookout for notched leaves on rhododendrons, azaleas and other broadleaf evergreen shrubs which is evidence of Root Weevils feeding on the plants leaves. The adult does the visible damage but their grubs are much more lethal. You could use a chemical spray labeled for root weevils or get the organic answer, Beneficial Nematodes.

- Spider mite infestations favor dryer warm weather so it's time to start looking for the telltale signs: Dusty looking plants with grey dull looking leaves. The spider mites like dry, dusty, undisturbed plants. Often just keeping the plants cleaner with garden hose water wash downs will do the trick.

## VEGETABLE GARDEN

- Don't overhead water tomatoes (or potatoes)! Unfortunately, we have a problem disease here in the Northwest and it affects tomatoes and potatoes severely; the dreaded late blight. The disease development is favored by cool, rainy weather and may be more severe under sprinkler irrigation. Avoid overhead watering and stake the plants up to allow good air circulation. Remember to rotate crops around so that tomatoes or potatoes are not in the same spot in the garden for at least three years. Pick off any affected leaves and spray plants with an approved fungicide if desired.



- There are plenty of herb starts and seeds available this time of year. Sowing more seed for basil and cilantro for instance, will keep crops coming on for fresh picking all summer.

- Mound the soil up around potatoes plants. Snitch a few of the young 'new' potatoes from the bed to cook up while you're there.

- Time to do some mid-season planting by seed for late season harvest. This is a great time to plant by seed; beets, bush beans, cabbage, carrots, cauliflower, cilantro, collards, broccoli, collards, fava beans, lettuce, kale, parsnips, peas, radishes, rutabaga, spinach and turnips. These crops will grow and produce good crops well into fall & winter!

- Check on the garlic crop - it's harvest time! Garlic is best planted in the fall and then harvested the following summer, in July. If you had planted your crop last fall then this month you should stop watering the garlic bed. Your signal will be that the leaves start to die back. Time to stop watering and when the leaves are dead a 3rd to 1/2 way down then harvest time is here.



- Cover the blueberry bushes with netting. Birds will let you know when they are ripe as you'll see them raiding the patch! This year get a head start on the marauders by getting the netting set up before the fruit is ripe. Yum!





# PLAY TIME

## Gardening Events Around Town

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**Willamette Valley Lavender Festival**  
**Saturday-Sunday, July 11-12, 2015**  
**Chehalem Cultural Center, Newberg, OR**

The Finest Celebration of Lavender and Art is NOW IN NEWBERG! Please accept our invitation to the one place where all things lavender blend with the premier art show of original work painted in the lavender fields of Oregon. Spend a leisurely day enjoying the plein air art show, juried art and craft booths, distinctive lavender products, and lavender in myriad forms while you feast on lavender-based cuisine and refreshment. Talented musicians set the mood while you enjoy a glass of local lavender beer or wine. Relax while you're surrounded by the captivating scent of lavender. Try your hand at lavender crafts or visit a nearby lavender farm. The former Yamhill Lavender Festival has moved to Newberg and has become the Willamette Valley Lavender Festival. This cooperative event brings local lavender growers and community volunteers together. Proceeds from the event benefit many charitable causes. At the Chehalem Cultural Center in Newberg, OR. 415 E Sheridan St. x Howard St. 415 E Sheridan St. Website: [www.WillametteValleyLavenderFestival.org](http://www.WillametteValleyLavenderFestival.org).

**Country Classic Garden Tour**  
**Saturday-Sunday, July 11-12, 2015 • 10:00am-4:00pm**  
**Begins in Canby, OR**

The Country Classic Garden Tour to benefit the Clackamas Community College Horticulture Program runs July 11-12, 10:00 – 4:00. The Canby Garden Club and HPSO Oregon City Study Group joined forces for this tour of ten selected gardens for only \$15 to view all the gardens over a two day period. A startup garden in Canby will provide the list of gardens and concise driving directions. [WWW.Facebook/CanbyGardenClub.com](http://WWW.Facebook/CanbyGardenClub.com) or Sharon at 503-866-2590.

**What to do in the July Veg Garden**  
**Saturday, July 11, 2015 • 11:00am-12:30pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Division), Portland, OR**

With Donna Smith & Robyn Streeter, Your Backyard Farmer. Our beloved vegetable gardeners from Your Backyard Farmer, Donna Smith & Robyn Streeter will discuss "looking ahead at fall & winter gardening". If

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you have not attended one of the informative classes, be sure and sign up EARLY, as classes fill up quickly.

**Growing Your Winter Vegetable Garden**  
**Saturday, July 11, 2015 • 1:00pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

With Ian Wilson of Portland Edible Gardens. Our mild winters provide the opportunity to grow an abundance of food in your garden right on through the winter! Come learn about the basics of growing a productive winter vegetable garden. We will cover factors affecting winter growth, which vegetables overwinter well in our climate, when to plant, and how to care for your winter garden.

**Easy & Stylish Drought Tolerant Plants**  
**Sunday, July 12, 2015 • 1:00pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

With Katie Gwynn of Portland Nursery. Oregon's dry summers can be stressful on our gardens, but you can save water and time by choosing plants wisely. Katie will highlight plants for a variety of dry situations and teach you some strategies for establishing and caring for drought tolerant plants.

**Bud Grafting**  
**Saturday, July 18, 2015 • 10:00am-1:00pm**  
**Portland Fruit Tree Project, Portland, OR**

In this hands-on workshop you will learn the basic techniques of bud grafting (budding). This method of grafting will allow you to combine different varieties and species of fruit into a single tree more quickly and with greater success rates than other grafting methods. This fun workshop will be an opportunity for you to gain a basic understanding of different bud grafting methods and when they should be used. Portland Fruit Tree Project's workshops are fun, hands-on opportunities to learn basic methods of organic fruit tree care. Workshops are open to anyone, though pre-registration is required. Cost per workshop: \$25. Scholarships are available. These workshops are free of charge for those who have fruit trees registered with PFTP (though contributions are gladly accepted!) Click here for our workshop contribution & cancellation policy

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#### **Bonsai!**

**Saturday, July 18, 2015 • 11:00am**

**Tsugawa Nursery, Woodland, WA**

Join us for this informative class all about bonsai. All levels are invited. We look forward to seeing you! Free.

#### **Cactus and Succulent Society Show**

**Friday-Sunday • July 17-19, 2015 • 10:00am-4:00pm**

**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

#### **Weird Plants: Cactus and Succulents**

**Saturday, July 18, 2015 • 11:00am**

**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

With Luther Sturtevant of Kara Cactus. Wanna see some strange plants? Meet the succulents! Their charismatic and diverse paddles, spines, bumps and lumps can make interesting houseplants or additions to the garden. Luther will introduce you to a cast of odd and lovely plants and describe how to keep them healthy. This coincides with the Portland Cactus Society's plant sale at Portland Nursery so if one of these oddballs knocks your socks off, you may find a neat specimen to take home, too!

#### **Mosaic Garden Art**

**Saturday, July 18, 2015 • 1:00pm**

**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

With Mark Brody. Mosaics make a colorful year-round addition to any garden when they are made with the proper, durable materials. There are different techniques to make a 2D and a 3D mosaic, and you need to know a thing or two when deciding between ceramic and glass for your tiles. Mark has just published a how-to book with Timber Press featuring 25 different mosaic projects for any garden, so come to get your questions answered regarding the garden project you have always wanted to make.

#### **Drawing Up a Garden Plan for Fall**

**Sunday, July 19, 2015 • 11:00am-12:30pm**

**Portland Nursery (Division), Portland, OR**

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With Marc Scheidecker. Hands on Class. Limited to 12 people. This class is a work shop where we will draw up our own plan, using the information from the previous class (May 3) The Fall garden plan has to pay special attention to the vegetable varieties, timing, fertilizing and some other considerations unique to growing vegetables at this time of year. If you missed the first class we will bring you up to speed! We would love to see you there!

#### **Using Plants to Create Privacy**

**Sunday, July 19, 2015 • 1:00pm**

**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

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# PLAY TIME

## Gardening Events Around Town, continued

artisans, many of whom are new to the event this year. Partake in wonderful wines, ciders and samplings of spirits, available for purchase from noon to 4pm on Saturday and noon to 3pm on Sunday by Poco Collina/ Gelardi Vineyard, Treos Wines, 2 Towns Ciderhouse, Vivacity Spirits, Spiritopia, and more. Food will be available for purchase between noon and 3pm by the highly-rated Cheesy Stuffed Burgers. Music provided by Mike C Davis, noon to 3pm. This event is free and open to the public. Wine, food, art and crafts for purchase.

**Orchid Society Sale & Pot Up**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 10:00am-4:00pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**

**Orchids 101**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 9:30am**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**  
With Terry Aitken of Aitken's Salmon Creek Garden. Do you have orchids that you would like to rebloom? This is a great workshop to learn the basics. After graduating from school 47 years ago, Terry purchased an orchid at a garden center. This plant survived as a window sill plant for about 10 years. Now, in a greenhouse, the plant continues to bloom annually in springtime. Since then, Terry and his wife Barbara have spent weeks in Hawaii every year visiting orchid growers to augment their orchid collection which now numbers in the thousands. Potting orchids is now a daily routine. An orchid in need is a friend indeed!

**Garden to Table : Picnics and Family Reunions**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 10:30am**  
**Farmington Gardens, Beaverton, OR**  
Easy and delicious foods that travel.

**Miniature Orchids**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 11:00am**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**  
With Greig Warner of Burnt Bridge Creek Nursery. Are you interested in expanding your collection or learning more about a miniature orchid? Greig is the guy with the answers. If you are limited in your growing space, but love to grow as many orchids as possible, then

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growing miniature orchids is something you may want to try. Not only are there miniatures of normally large growing plants like cattleyas and phalaenopsis, but many other species that are beautiful in their own right. He will discuss how to grow these wonderful plants, and you will get an introduction to some of his favorite miniature orchids.

**Seed Saving Part 1: Planning the Harvest**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 11:00am-12:30pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Division), Portland, OR**  
With Boondocker Farm.

**Basketry Starts**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 1:00pm**  
**Portland Nursery (Stark), Portland, OR**  
With Greg Archuleta of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Elaine St. Martin of Tuscarora/Seneca. Come learn about traditional Native American basketry. Greg and Elaine will demonstrate how to make baskets made of cedar and other native plant materials and they will show some of their examples. They will also share information about Native plants used in traditional and contemporary basketry. Envision using your own baskets to gather flowers and fruits out in nature.

**Making Hypertufa Trough Planters**  
**Saturday, July 25, 2015 • 2:00pm**  
**Egan Gardens, Salem, OR**  
Trough planters are wonderful for miniature gardens of dwarf plants and succulents. In this hands-on workshop you can make your own stone-look planter from Hypertufa, a concrete mix that looks like stone, but is lighter weight. \$25 charge to cover materials used. Please call 503-393-2131 to register.

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