

"When you arise in the morning,
think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive
- to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love."

- Marcus Aurelius

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Notes From The Garden

THINGS TO DO FOR MAY

- Over-seed lawns and reseed bare spots
- Apply starter fertilizer if you have put down new grass seed.
- Plant vegetables and annuals after the last chance of frost.
- Apply fertilizer with broadleaf weed control on established lawns.
- Plant Trees, Shrubs and Perennials to spice up your landscape.
- Lay Bluegrass or Fescue sod to repair bare spots in your yard.
- Plant Garden Seeds.
- Plant spring/summer blooming bulbs—Gladiolus, Dahlias, Elephant Ears and Hardy Lilies.
- Apply Preen for weed prevention.
- Don't forget a gift for Mom!



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May Garden & Yard Care Reminders

IS IT SPRING YET?

All of us are anxious for "real spring", especially after a long, cold, windy winter. Gardeners have been asking, "Is it time to work our gardens?" "Is it time to prune perennials and shrubs?"

Can I uncover mulched plants yet?" "Can I plant my tomatoes?"

The last frost/freeze day in our growing area is usually close to Mothers' Day. Exactly when is just a guess. Follow the local weather forecasts to decide a safe time to plant annuals and tender perennials. Some things that can be done (if you haven't done them already) include the following:

- Rake leaves and other debris from under and around trees, shrubs fences, decks and patios.
- Pull weeds while the soil is moist and the roots are short.
- Mow lawns to get ready for the growing season.
- Apply the spring application of lawn fertilizer
- Add compost and prepare your flower and vegetable beds for planting when frost and freezing is no longer a threat.
- Check your sprinkler system and do repairs as needed.
- Spray fruit trees as needed.
- Begin spraying roses to treat disease.
- If white grubs were in your lawn last year, apply season-long grub control.



- If fungal diseases have affected trees and shrubs, begin spraying with an approved fungicide as the plant leaves out. Follow all label directions.
- If lawn fungus was a problem for you last year, select a fungicide program to prevent or limit it this year. Areas in which snow and ice accumulated during the winter are most susceptible to fungus.
- Our knowledgeable sales staff at either Garden Center location will help you choose the products that best meet your needs.

Enjoy the freshness and new growth of spring. Visit either of our Garden Centers for a complete selection of annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, rosebushes, trees, shrubs and all of the supplies needed to make your yard and garden a success.

MAKE MOTHER'S DAY SPECIAL

Spring and Mother's Day go hand-in-hand. For our hardiness zone, Mother's Day weekend is the general target for the last frost day and a signal for planting tender perennials, vegetables and annuals. You can begin your spring planting season by selecting a special shrub or perennial for Mother's Day. This addition to your landscape will be a remembrance for Mom each year. If your landscape is full, think containers. Both of our Garden Center locations have a large selection of planters and baskets for both sun and shade that will bring color to patios, entries and porches throughout the spring and summer. We can also custom plant containers with Mom's favorites.

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NEW PRODUCTS FOR 2009

**** Ferti-lome Four-Step Program** is now available at both of our garden center locations. These high quality lawn products contain slow-release nitrogen with trace elements to promote strong, lush grass. The **Step 1 Crabgrass Preventer** controls annual grassy weeds along with the lawn food. **Step 2 Weed Free Zone** provides superior weed control in cooler temperatures. **Step 3 Lawn food plus Iron** is applied in later summer to feed, green and thicken lawns after the hot summer. The **Step 4 Winterizer** builds winter hardiness, stem strength and disease resistance.



**** Mater Magic** is a new "Dynamite Organic" product that is a 5-5-9 balanced rate of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium (NPK) with calcium. Natural and organic ingredients provide the nutrients needed for optimal growth of bigger, juicier tomatoes with higher yields, plus calcium to prevent Blossom End-Rot. Mater Magic feeds up to 3 months and requires no mixing.

**** Dynamite All Purpose Select** is a new controlled release fertilizer with macro and micro nutrients. Its balanced 15-5-9 rate of nitrogen, phosphorous and potassium with micros aid in establishing roots, stems and branches to give greener plants with more blooms. Dynamite All Purpose feeds up to 9 months and requires no mixing.



**** Bonide Systemic Insect Control Concentrate** is an economical, long lasting insect control for ornamental gardens, shrubs and trees. It controls aphids, flower thrips, imported fire ants, leafminers, mealybugs, spider mites, tent caterpillars, whiteflies and other insects listed.

**** Bayer 12 Month Tree & Shrub Protection & Feed Concentrate** provides systemic rainproof protection that won't wash off. It offers slow release fertilizer and controls Borers, Emerald Ash Borer, Leafminers, Japanese Beetles and many other insects.

**** Ortho MAX Flower, Fruit & Vegetable Insect Killer RTU** is formulated for gardens and landscape plantings. It kills more than 100 varieties of insects on contact and provides systemic control for up to three weeks.

AMERICA'S BEAUTY—THE ROSE

America's national and most popular garden flower is the rose. Rose bushes can be used as a single plant or in multiples to provide a colorful focal point to any landscape. They can also be used as borders or hedges, on trellises and in cut-flower beds.

If you like roses but don't want to spend a lot of time and effort to care for them, landscape or shrub roses are probably your best choice.

These roses are a miscellaneous group of hybrids, native species and varieties that develop a

large, dense growth useful in general landscaping. Usually flowers are small but showy. In the fall, many produce attractive seedpods. Their fine-textured foliage makes some of them useful for hedges or screen plantings. Typically, these roses are easy to grow, look good in your yard or as part of your landscape, are disease resistant, have excellent cold hardiness, produce numerous blossoms throughout the summer, and require minimal maintenance. Both of our Garden Center locations have a wide selection of landscape and shrub roses.

Climbing roses in full bloom covering the side of a house or branching along a fence are stunning. Since climbing roses take several years to reach maturity, it's important to remember that they will need more care and attention. When choosing a climbing rose, consider size, shade tolerance, disease resistance, blooming frequency and unique characteristics, such as color and fragrance. Campbell's Garden Centers have 15 varieties of climbing roses this season.



"Hobby roses" or "Collector roses" can be a "labor of love" for their growers. But like every other perennial plant in the landscape, if you plant a rose bush the right way and in the right conditions, it will thrive to produce beautiful color and blooms. These garden roses include David Austin's English, Floribunda, Grandiflora and Hybrid Tea rose varieties. Each of these bush rose categories has a wide assortment of bloom colors, sizes and growth habitats. For 2009 each of our Garden Center locations will offer some new varieties, as well as more proven traditional roses.

There is one other type of rose that is often overlooked. If you have limited space, consider the miniature rose. These tiny replicas of their larger relatives are a delight. Bud and bloom shape, fragrance, colors, foliage and growth habit are as widely varied as the full size roses. However, they grow to only 12 – 18 inches tall and about 12 – 18 inches wide. These roses are perfect for low borders, pots, combination plantings or hanging baskets. Both of our Garden Center locations have a large selection of miniature roses.

Are you confused about roses? Our knowledgeable sales staff at either Garden Center location will help you decide if roses are a good choice for your garden or landscape. If you are a veteran rose grower, come see us to choose a new variety for your collection.

PETUNIAS FOR SUMMER-LONG COLOR

Petunias – the traditional favorite for spreading, lush color. When you visit Campbell's Garden Centers, you will find "Madness" petunias in four packs and other varieties in large 4-½ inch pots. Aside from the price, what is the difference?



All varieties of petunias are a multi-flora annual that bloom all summer. The biggest distinction among varieties is whether they are grown from seeds or from cuttings.

The Madness are one of the seed petunia varieties that spread about 10 inches and are intended to be a landscape annual in flower beds. These petunias have ample foliage that is heat and drought tolerant with multiple flowers on each branch. They will produce seeds, which shortens the life of the bloom.

The hybridized petunias grown from cuttings do not produce seeds, so their larger flowers tend to bloom longer. Varieties include Easy Wave, Double Wave, Plush, Sanguna and Supertunia. These petunias tend to mound and spread up to 24-30 inches with lush multiple flowers throughout the plant from the center to the ends. The spreading or trailing habit makes them ideal for containers, window boxes, hanging baskets and garden borders. When comparing size and cost, consider one of these hybrid petunia plants will produce as much foliage and flowers and a four-pack of the seed petunias.

Petunias are an excellent flowering annual for sunny areas. Petunias complement other annuals or perennials to make a showy mix of color and texture. Petunias tolerate extreme temperatures and are resistant to disease. Visit either of our Garden Centers to pick out colorful petunias for your flower garden or containers.



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