

# July 2010

## Upcoming Events

### Not sure how much to water?

Saturday, July 10, 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m.  
Cedar Hills Garden Center  
Stop by the Regional Water Providers Consortium table and learn how much water your lawn needs each week. Then use water wise plants to add color, drama, and texture to your garden. FREE watering gauge kits, Waterwise Plant Guides and other resources will also be available.

### Hawaii Dream Vacation Celebration

Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> 1-4 pm  
Cedar Hills Garden Center  
Enter to win a Hawaiian Dream Vacation Giveaway and celebrate with FREE pupus (appetizers) from L&L Drive In and Hawaiian entertainment. Selected hardy tropical plants are 20% off this day only!

### Pet Adoption with Oregon Humane Society

Saturday, July 10<sup>th</sup> 1-4 pm at Eastside Garden Center

Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> 11 am - 3 pm at Lake Oswego  
Looking to adopt a new pet? Want to learn how to create a garden that is pet friendly?  
OHS will have dogs and cats on-site ready to be adopted. We'll also have a SALE on pet friendly gardening products and a raffle which 100% of the net proceeds go to the Oregon Humane Society.

### Pet Friendly Gardening Workshop, 2 pm both days

landscape design tips, including plant selection, pet training, breed consideration, and materials to use. Learn what plants are good for your pet and which are harmful.

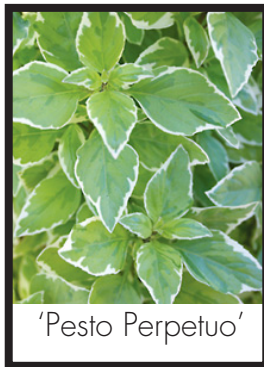
Local pet businesses will be on hand, including:

- Lexi Dog— boutique & social club (Lake Oswego only)
- Dove Lewis Animal Hospital
- Invisible Fence Western Oregon
- Sellwood Dog Supply

## Plant of the Month: Herbs

Growing fresh herbs is easy and can help reduce your grocery bill while adding flavor to your meals. Most herbs require full sun (at least 6 hours) and well-drained soil. They can be planted in containers or in the ground.

Many herbs are evergreen and ornamental in the landscape, like lavender and rosemary. Sage and thyme are semi-evergreen; oregano, marjoram, tarragon, chives & mint are all perennials. Other herbs are planted annually such as basil, parsley, cilantro, dill, fennel, and lemon verbena.



'Pesto Perpetuo'

One of the most popular herbs to grow is basil. Our herb sections are well stocked with several varieties of basil including the basic 'Sweet' and 'Genovese' as well as some more specialty types like 'purple Leaf', 'Pesto Perpetuo' (variegated), and 'Thai' or 'Sacred' basil. Truly a summer annual herb, basil loves heat and sunshine and does best planted in containers where moisture can be controlled.

Plant an herb garden or add to an existing one to spice up your life. Stop into one of our garden

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## Monthly Tips: July

- Long hot days and warm nights make July a great time for outdoor living, but remember to water! Hanging baskets, containers, vegetable gardens, flower beds and new plantings are especially vulnerable to weather stress. From lead-free hoses to expert advice, to complete irrigation systems, we can help make it easier.
- Mulching can really help conserve water and keep plant roots cooler. About 1 inch is all you need, and we have a selection of garden mulches to choose from.
- Containers and hanging baskets will need supplemental feedings. Studies show about every fourth watering, most water soluble nutrients have been leached out of the soil, so use a supplemental fertilizer every 1 to 2 weeks during hot weather.
- To keep plants flowering, remember to remove spent blooms.
- This is the time to watch for budworms on petunias and geraniums. They will eat your flowers before you even get to see them, so be ready to spray with environmentally



Canna 'Tropicana'

- safe bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) to control these pests.
- This seems to be a year for powdery mildew. It affects roses, azaleas, lilacs, euonymous and many other plants. If you notice curling leaves or a powdery gray coating on a leaf, bring a sample to one of our stores, and we'll help you find a cure.
    - Slugs are still out there munching, so another application of Sluggo will be helpful, especially around vegetables.
    - Our garden centers will continue to have fresh color and new annual herb starts. If your basil or cilantro bolts on you, or your marigolds dry out, well, it happens to us all! Just refresh with new ones and get on with enjoying your summer!
  - Looking ahead to fall, the best planting season, don't forget to check out our free landscape design program called Planscaper®. Imagine planting your yard with the confidence that you're doing it right and the knowledge your plant purchases are backed up by the best guarantee in town! Call any of our locations and ask about Planscaper®.



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