



# July 2011 Newsletter

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NURSERY HOURS  
MONDAY THRU SATURDAY 9 AM TO 6 PM  
SUNDAYS 9 AM TO 5 PM

## UPCOMING EVENTS



### A NIGHT WITH OWLS & HAWKS

SATURDAY, JULY 9, 2011  
7 TO 9 PM

A fund raiser for  
'Native Bird Connection'  
& 'Hawk Talk'

These organizations help  
educate the public & rescue birds  
in need.

Please join us in supporting these  
birds of prey. Seating is limited to the  
first 200 & actual places to sit are lim-  
ited. Bring your lawn chairs if you  
don't want to stand.

Tickets available at  
Bushnell Gardens Nursery

Ticket cost:  
\$15/ea

\$25/couple

Children under 12 are FREE



Watch our



## ULTIMATE CRASH

**BACKYARD MAKEOVER**

As part of "Crash Week"

Saturday  
**JULY 2**

**10:30 AM PST**

**HGTV**

Sunday  
**JULY 3**

**5:00PM PST**

**DIY**

Network

Tune in to see us turn an *overgrown backyard* into a

## Sierra Mountain-Style

## *Retreat*

## SUMMER ROSE CARE

Saturday, July 16, 2011  
10am

Noted rosarian Muriel Humenick will lead this clinic on maintaining and enjoying our roses in summer. Bring your shears for a FREE sharpening after the clinic.



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our facebook page and you'll automatically be entered to win a \$50 Bushnell Gardens Gift Card. When we have 500 likes we will randomly draw a winner. We can't wait to see you!

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## GARDEN JOBS – JULY

- ◆ Beat the heat by watering wisely and efficiently. We recommend watering slowly and for a long time, so the water goes deep.
- ◆ Monitor plants for pests that love heat.
- ◆ Mulch, mulch, mulch to conserve moisture and control weeds.
- ◆ In currently mulched areas, make sure the layer is at least 2-3 inches deep. If it is too thin, add more.
- ◆ Cut back spent berry canes to the ground. As new canes emerge, tie them up and fertilize.
- ◆ Walk through your vegetable garden daily and harvest often to encourage production and discourage rotting.
- ◆ Dig and divide summer flowering bulbs when foliage has died back.
- ◆ Remove spent flowers to encourage new blooms.
- ◆ Fertilize roses.
- ◆ Cut back Spanish lavender as flowers fade to encourage a second bloom.
- ◆ Trim faded crape myrtle flowers for fall bloom.
- ◆ Clean up dropped fruit to prevent brown rot. Clean up debris around trees.
- ◆ Watch for caterpillars on vegetables and flowers. Hand pick or spray with Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) if they become a problem.
- ◆ Hose aphids off flowers and plants with a sharp stream from the hose nozzle or use insecticidal soap.
- ◆ Pull weeds as they appear and before they set seed.



Time to feed your roses if you haven't done so this summer!

Try Bayer 'All in One' for best results.



### July Specials

- \* 1 gallon Blue Star Amsonia reg. \$10.98 Now **\$ 8.78**
- \* 1 gallon Gaura 'Siskiyou Pink' reg. \$8.98 Now **\$ 7.18**
- \* 2 gallon Hosts 'Azure Snow' reg. \$34.98 Now **\$ 20.99**
- \* 5 gallon Butterfly bush reg. \$24.98 Now **\$ 19.98**

Visit us to see other specials in the Nursery and Garden Shoppe

Limited to stock on hand-may not be combined with other discounts—all sales final

## BAD GUYS IN THE GARDEN

DO YOU RECOGNIZE THEM?

### Tomato Hornworm / *Manduca quinquemaculata*

Tomato hornworms are known to eat various plants from the family Solanaceae, commonly attacking tomato, eggplant, pepper, tobacco, and potato. Accordingly, tomato hornworms are often found on defoliated tomato plants, the caterpillar clinging to the underside of a branch near the trunk. They are difficult to spot due to their green coloration. Their numbers can be reduced by planting marigold flowers around these plants.

Eggs of the tomato hornworm are deposited singly on both the lower and upper surface of leaves in late spring and summer. The eggs hatch in six to eight days and are oval, smooth, and light green to yellow in color.

Tomato hornworm larvae are parasitized by a number of insects. One of the most common is a small braconid wasp (doesn't sting humans and can't be seen with the naked eye). Larvae that hatch from wasp eggs laid on the hornworm feed on the inside of the hornworm until the wasp is ready to pupate. The cocoons appear as white projections protruding from the hornworm's body (see 2nd photo). If such projections are observed, the hornworms should be left in the garden to conserve the beneficial parasitoids. The wasps will kill the hornworms when they emerge from the cocoons and will seek out other hornworms to parasitize.

**TIP** = Organic controls include hand picking, spraying with caterpillar killer, and a good bird population in the garden

### Introducing the new 'Bushnells WebBlast'

Last year the Bushnell Team faithfully delivered all of the monthly newsletters and coupons to your e-mail inboxes thru our old eBlast system. Now, via our new website, we have developed a new **WebBlast** system to deliver your requested information. We apologize to those of you who have tried to un-subscribe in the past. With this new system you may choose which mailing you want to receive and may un-subscribe at any time.

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