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Blueville Nursery Garden Store was established in the spring of 1970 as an extension of our full landscape services. We have been providing Manhattan and the surrounding areas with quality annuals, nursery stock and gardening supplies ever since. Open year round with an assortment of products to match each season.



With over 50 years of experience, Blueville prides itself on creating personal relationships and greeting every customer with a friendly smile. Our top notch customer service has resulted in life long customers from generation to generation.

"I was just sitting here enjoying the company. Plants got a lot to say, if you take the time to listen" - Eeyore

# June 2025

### **Garden Store Newsletter**

## Katie's Korner

Katie's work in the industry began in 2002. Her degrees were completed at KSU in Business Marketing and Horticulture – Landscape Design by 2009. Katie came to



## Blueville in January of 2017 and is now the Garden Store Manager and Division Head.

#### **June Events & Seminars**

Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> 9-12 p.m. was the yearly *Speedscapes* event held at Blueville Nursery Garden Store. It is a sign-up event with limited spots each year to meet with a landscape designer to discuss quick projects and solutions.

Saturday, June  $14^{\rm th}$  at 10 a.m. KSU Entomologist Dr. Cloyd led a seminar on *How to Avoid Squash Bugs* in the garden areas.

At 2 p.m. on June 14<sup>th</sup> Barclay Flower Farm led a private workshop for preregistered attendees discussing *Wildflowers* and how to incorporate them into bouquets. It was very educational with the Wildflower subject matter. Attendees built bouquets and took them home at the end of the workshop. Make sure to sign-up for her next workshop "Sun Kissed Posies: A Summer Flower Workshop" on Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. Sign-up is open right now at Blueville Nursery Garden Store. Limited spots.

June 14<sup>th</sup> this year was also the *Pottawatomie County Garden Tour* with KSU Extension.

Saturday, June 21<sup>st</sup> the *Riley County Garden Tour* was held in the morning for the public. It is led by KSU Extension and Riley County Master Gardeners to support Riley County Master Gardener programs.

Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. at Blueville Nursery Garden Store KSU Extension Riley County Horticulture Agent, Gregg Eyestone will discuss *Right Plant Right Spot*.

Seminars are free to attend! Sign-up for workshops in advance. Any fees cover the projects the attendees take home from the sessions.

Right now leading up to 4<sup>th</sup> of July we have a Summer Savings Sidewalk Sale going on in two spots in the store with selectively marked items up to 75% off on those two tables. Find the Dollar Deals section too.

Have a good 4<sup>th</sup> of July. Stay safe with the fireworks and summer heat. We appreciate your business at the store and looking towards the second half of the year.

Blueville Nursery will be closed July 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> this year in observance of the 4<sup>th</sup> of July holiday. When Blueville Nursery Garden Store opens on Monday, July 7<sup>th</sup> it will transition into summer hours of Monday-Saturday 8-3 p.m. with the heat. This will go until approximately Saturday, August 16<sup>th</sup>.





#### **July Line-Up**

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. will be the *Sun-Kissed Posies: A Summer Flower Workshop* led by Barclay Flower Farm at Blueville Nursery Garden Store. Sign-up required in advance. Limited spots.

Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. *Fall Gardening Using Raised Beds* with KSU Extension Riley County Horticulture Agent, Gregg Eyestone at Blueville. Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> 12-3 p.m. Ladies Lunch is scheduled called *Tee Time* at Blueville. Sign-up in advance is required. Private event for attendees with a luncheon and speakers. Must sign-up by July 3<sup>rd</sup> with the cut-off. Can't take additional registrations after that date. Limited spots for this event too, so don't wait to sign-up. \$40 set up on a gift card to register for the event. Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. *Honeybees & Beekeeping* with KSU Entomologist, Dr. Cloyd at Blueville. He says there will be more hands-on interaction with this presentation to elaborate on the topic.





#### **Timely Topics**

As summer unfolds, below are various subjects to look out for in the landscape and lawn.

#### **Japanese Beetles**



Japanese Beetles are out. Be on the look-out, and spray plants as soon as you see them to reduce damage. Japanese Beetles will cause lace-like feeding damage on plant foliage. If you see them starting to hover, or sit on plants, spraying will be necessary to protect the plants. Check chemical label instructions for more specifics based on what is being sprayed. Avoid the heat of the day with spraying. Make sure there is 24-hour dry time if rain is in the forecast. For vegetables and

fruit tree situations, follow specific instructions on chemical labeling due to harvest interval restrictions.

Refer to the KSU Extension handout for more info: https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/download/japanese-beetle-insect-pest-of-horticultural-plants-and-turfgrass\_MF3488

#### **Bagworms**



Go up to your plants, that normally have the bagworm problems, and check the sacks for bagworms hatching. When they are out feeding on plant material is the best time to spray to get the chemicals on them. Natural Guard Spinosad and Bonide Captain Jack's Deadbug Brew are good worm control products, so they are suggested in the early stages of the bagworm

cycle. Don't delay on the spraying if you are at all concerned about controlling them. As we move through summer it is harder to control them. If you have wind breaks, consider using Hi-Yield 38 Plus because it will go further. We get to a point later in the summer when the sprays don't work on bagworms anymore, and you must resort to picking them off.

#### **KSU Extension Handouts:**

https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/download/bagworm-insect-pest-of-trees-and-shrubs\_MF3474

#### **Brown Patch in Lawns**



If brown patch fungus appears in your lawn, June and July are the typical timeframes to apply Fertilome F-Stop Granular Fungicide to help control it.

#### **KSU Extension Handouts:**

https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/download/commercial-management-of-brown-patch-of-cool-season-turfgrasses\_EP146

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/horticulture-resource-center/common-pest-problems/documents/Brown Patch on Turf.pdf

https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problem-solver/problem-solver/dead-patches/brown-patch/

#### **Dollar Spot in Lawns**

Dollar spot is another lawn fungus to watch out for in the lawn.

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/Dollar Spot.pdf

 $https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/dollar-spot-in-golf-course-turf\_EP131.pdf$ 

https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problem-solver/problem-solver/dead-patches/dollar-spot/

#### **Nutsedge**



Nutsedge starts becoming more noticeable in lawns, and unwanted areas, during the summer months. Pulling it makes it worse. It is suggested to spray it. We have Bonide Sedge Ender products, Hi-Yield Nutsedge Control or Image with nutsedge control on the label. Some people call it water grass because it will sometimes be in wetter areas.

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/yellow-nutsedge.pdf

https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problemsolver/problem-solver/weeds/grassy/nutsedge/

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/Yellow Nutsedge.pdf

#### **Crabgrass**

If you are starting to spot crabgrass coming up in your lawn, consider using Fertilome Weed-Out with Crabgrass Killer, Image or BioAdvanced Crabgrass Killer. The Fertilome Weed-Out with Crabgrass Killer and Image have broadleaf weed control, but those products also have quinclorac in them; which is



a crabgrass killer component. These products are only contact killers, so they only work on what you are seeing in the lawn. As it gets hot outside, be careful of the heat restrictions on the label to avoid burning your lawn. Also keep them away from other plant material.

https://www.k-

state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problemsolver/problemsolver/weeds/grassy/crabgrass/

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/Crabgrass.pdf

#### **Greenmaker**

Fertilome Green Maker is a slow-release fertilizer for the summer months. Be careful not to overfertilize with Brown Patch Fungus suggestions. Other fertilizers used during the summer months would also be Milorganite, Organic Lawn Food or Coop Poop Lawn fertilizer at the store.

#### **Other Summer Grass Notes**

If you are planting Buffalo grass or Bermuda grass get it done quick. If you are trying to get rid of Bermuda grass continue to use BioAdvanced Bermudagrass Control, as it notes multiple applications may be required.

### **Turf Ranger, Mosquito Go, Repellents**



As you are spending more time outside in the warmer months of the year, consider treating your lawn, and landscape beds, with products that may help keep the bugs down. For instance, Hi-Yield Turf Ranger is a granular insecticide, that lists chiggers as a target. Wet down to activate. There are also liquid insecticides, that may help with bug problems like Bonide Eight, that have lawn treatments to help with some bug issues. If you would prefer to use a

repellent, consider Fertilome Mosquito Go for lawn areas or around entertainment spaces. We now have a few citronella candles in the store!

#### **Re-applying Weed Preventers**

Consider reapplying weed preventers in your flower beds, and vegetable gardens, to keep the weeds down through the season. They will wear off over time, so it is important to make a couple applications through the gardening season to keep them strong. Use Hi-Yield Turf & Ornamental Weed & Grass Stopper with Dimension in flower beds through the open areas not being planted. Use Preen or Treflan in vegetable gardens through the



open areas. Check the labels for tolerant plants and guidelines. Wet down to activate. Make sure to pull existing weeds before applying these products. They only prevent germination.

#### Fungus to look out for in the landscape & gardens

If we have a moist summer, and it stays hot and humid, we could see an increase in fungus problems on plant material because of weather conditions. Be on the lookout with your plants for a couple of common ones, that may require a fungicide to help keep them under control if they start to show up.

### **Black Spot on plant material**



Be on the look out for black spot on plants like roses and tomatoes, that may be more prone to this fungus. Consider using a preventative treatment on roses with the BioAdvanced 3 n 1 products available at the store early spring reapplying every six weeks according to the label. Water at the base of plants. Try to water in the morning when there is time for it to dry throughout the day. When you see black spot

developing, start spraying with Fertilome Broad Spectrum Fungicide to attempt to keep it from getting worse on the plant. Rake up and dispose of any leaf debris with black spot.

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/Rose Blackspot.pdf

#### **Powdery Mildew**



peonies for example.

Powdery Mildew can be influenced by weather with humidity, moisture, lack of air circulation. Change of weather patterns can slow down this activity. Spraying bushes with a fungicide is dependent on what time of the season you see it on a plant. Refer to the below articles for info on what to do with timing in the season. We sometimes see powdery mildew on lilacs or

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/commonpestproblems/common-pest-problemnew/Lilac Powdery Mildew.pdf https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problemnew/Peony Powdery Mildew.pdf

#### **Cedar Apple Rust**



Cedar Apple Rust may show up on Crabapples, Apples and Ornamental Pears. It can also show up on Hawthorns, Hollyhock, Pentsemon. When it shows up on the leaves a person usually can't do much about it. Some people still try to spray the tree with Fertilome F-Stop Fungicide to slow down the progression of the rust, but it usually doesn't do enough. Once the

rust is on the leaves it runs its course the rest of the season. Fertilize the tree with Fertilome Tree & Shrub food to try to help overall health and vigor. If leaves fall off the tree, rake them up, as a good cultural practice with fungus control. When the tree leafs out again the following spring, it will have fresh foliage. Cedar Apple Rust can be worse some years than others. It can be hard on a tree if never treated, so it is recommended to do the preventative sprays in the spring.

Cedar Apple Rust requires preventative spraying in the spring. When the Crabapples, Apples, Ornamental Pears, Hawthorn, Hollyhock, Penstemon leaf out early spring, start spraying them with the Fertilome F-Stop Fungicide to protect their foliage from picking up the rust.

Refer to the KSU Extension article for supporting documentation:

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/cedar-apple rust.pdf

#### **Garden Activities**

According to the KSU Vegetable Garden Calendar, in July a second round of crops can start to be planted for another round of production going into the second part of the year. We are fortunate to get two rounds out of a garden each year. If rabbits or deer are getting into plants and produce, consider animal repellents, chicken wire or blood meal, as a few items that get used to protect areas. We have all of these items at this time. Keep an eye out for insect problems on vegetable plants, and jump on them early to keep them from ruining plants.

#### **Monitoring for Squash Bugs**



Monitoring plants for squash bug activity can be a process with their life cycle. To stay on top of this one, constantly monitoring those plants can help keep control of it.

Refer to the article for a detailed explanation:

https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pestproblems/common-pest-problem-new/Squash Bug.pdf

#### **Fertilize Annuals**

Fertilize annual plants to keep them colorful. Rotate between Fertilome Blooming & Rooting and Fertilome 20-20-20.

## Tyler's Tips



Tyler is a 2017 graduate of Kansas State University with a degree in Agricultural Education. He has been working in the plant industry since 2012 and at Blueville since 2014. His main interests are houseplants and annuals. He currently serves as the assistant manager at the garden store.

#### **Creating a Terrarium**

Terrariums are a great project if you live somewhere with minimal gardening space. They're also a great activity for kids. A terrarium is a miniature garden that is kept inside year round. Below is an infographic on how to put your own terrarium together. We have all the supplies needed at Blueville Garden Store. We also have an assortment of themed terrarium kits to make the job even easier!

# Creating a Terrarium

Select a Container You can essentially use anything. A glass fishbowl, aquarium, candy dish or a container made specifically for terrariums. Sand or Pebbles Add a shallow layer to the bottom of container to allow for better drainage **Activated Charcoal** For an enclosed terrarium, add a layer of activated charcoal to help filter the air Sphagnum Moss This will help keep the soil from settling into the lower layers of the terrarium Potting Soil Add about a 1-2 inch layer of fertilome Ulitmate Potting Soil to place your plants in Plants Use an assortment of terrarium plants to give plenty of height, color and texture Finishing Touches For a bit of whimsy, add miniature figurines, pebbles and/or moss to

### Care Tips

- Provide moderate light, not too bright, not too low
- Keep away from heat sources

give your terrarium character

- Trim overgrown plants
- Keep glass clean
- Don't over water. Use a spray bottle to mist plants

















# Plants with Interest













## **What To Do**

- Check for and spray bagworms on junipers, spruce and arborvitae. Use Natural Guard Spinosad
- Fertilize vegetable gardens and bedding plants
- Check vegetable gardens for insect pests and disease
- Apply Hi-Yield Grub Free Zone to control grubs in turf grass
- Control nutsedge in lawns, most prevalent in wet areas
- Apply ferti-lome F-Stop granular fungicide to prevent disease in lawns
- Prune early spring flowering shrubs such as forsythia, lilac and Renaissance spirea after flowering
- Spray Bermudagrass to control it in cool season turf grass lawns
- Shop for patriotic garden decor at the Garden Store

## What's New

Wildflower seeds



- Houseplants
- Perennials

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