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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.**

**"Now summer is in flower and nature's hum  
is never silent round her sultry bloom" - John  
Clare**

# **July 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.***

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## **July Recap**

This year with 4<sup>th</sup> of July on a Friday, Blueville Nursery Garden Store was closed July 4-6<sup>th</sup>. Military Appreciation Days were held leading up to the holiday.

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. Barclay Flower Farm led the Sun-Kissed Posies Summer Flower Workshop for attendees that signed up in advance.

July 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. KSU Riley County Horticulture Extension Agent, Gregg Eyestone led the Fall Gardens Using Raised Beds discussion to talk more about Raised Beds questions while also touching on all of the vegetable crops that can be started in July to replant for the second half of the year.

Thursday, July 24<sup>th</sup> the garden store was open 8-11 a.m. In the afternoon, the Ladies Luncheon was held from 12-3 p.m. for attendees that signed up in advance. Ross Braun of KSU Horticulture, Director of Rocky Ford Turfgrass Research Center presented to the group. The second speaker was Sommer McCormick of Rolling Meadows Golf Course, that is located North of Junction City towards the Milford Lake area.

Colorado Peaches arrived at the store by July 25<sup>th</sup> this year with the first shipment. Watch for updates on additional shipments over the next few weeks.

Pollinator Day was held for the first time on Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> in the morning at the store. KSU Entomologist, Dr. Cloyd presented on Honeybees & Beekeeping from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. It was a topic with a lot of information and interactive visuals to discuss. At 11 a.m. Dr. Cloyd presented Monarch Butterflies. Find pollinator plants and seed at Blueville Nursery Garden Store.

The Summer Savings Sidewalk Sale has been ongoing this summer at the store with items selectively marked up to 75% off with colored dots.

As August arrives, Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> Phillip Stanley of Blueville will present on Roses at 10 a.m. in the store.

Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> local bird expert Chuck Otte will present on Hummingbird Feederscaping at 10 a.m. August is a very active month for Hummingbirds around this area.



August 16<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m. KSU Entomologist Dr. Cloyd discusses Pesticide Use & Safety.

Saturday, August 23<sup>rd</sup> KSU Extension Riley County Horticulture Agent Gregg Eyestone discusses Tall Fescue at 10 a.m. This is timely with the fall seeding projects that need to take place in September and October with cool season grass like Fescue.

Mums typically arrive towards the end of August leading into September with availability. Cool season annuals will follow in early September.

The fall event card to finish out the year will come out towards the end of August. We do events year-round so watch for updates.

August 29<sup>th</sup>, August 30<sup>th</sup> and September 1<sup>st</sup> will be Labor Day Weekend this year. Watch for more updates closer to that weekend with the store.

## **Fall Vegetable Gardening**

The end-of-July into August we start the second half of the vegetable gardening season. Clean up what is done in the vegetable gardens, and get things ready for the next round of crops. Once debris is removed, add compost to the soil to increase organic matter before another planting. We carry Acidified Cotton Burr Compost, Cattle Manure, Cattle Compost or Chicken Manure in bags. We do have an aged cattle manure in bulk. We've still got vegetable seed to cover all the crop varieties with what you will need for round two of planting.

In July Beets, Beans, Cabbage, Carrots, Broccoli, Endive, Cauliflower are crops to start from seed to get them going in time for another harvest. In August Beets, Carrots, Broccoli, Endive, Cauliflower, Kale, Lettuce, Radish, Spinach, Turnips can be started depending on the time of the month. KSU Vegetable Garden Calendar

Reference: <https://bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/mf315.pdf>

**Back-to-School** will be a theme, as we enter August. Check out the houseplants, pottery and plant stands around the store. Houseplant variety is ever-changing with the shipments.

## **Fall Items**

Cool-season grass seed work takes off late August into early September when the weather starts to cool. This will be the best time of year to seed or over-seed fescue. If you prefer sod, we will continue to arrange pre-orders. Fall weather is excellent for sod.

Mums typically arrive late August-early September. Fall annuals arrive early September.

Fall bulbs typically arrive late September.

Seasonal items for fall will start to fill in, as we near September.

## Seeding Prep Month

Assessing the lawn in July and early August is important because fall seeding work lies in the future. Prepping the yard this month, and into August, will allow you to follow the projected time table for fall lawn work if you get some of your tasks taken care of over this timeframe.

## Do you have moles?



Trying to take care of mole problems in the yard would be important so their destruction is not in the way when you want to start seeding. We carry **Fertilome Mole-Go granules**, that are a repellent made with castor oil. We also have a mole trap called the **Mole Eliminator**, that has been a popular tool. **Poison Mole Worms** are available as well to bait the active runways. You could potentially use a combination of these products to attack them from different angles. Focus on removing them from your yard, and keeping them from coming back, to clear the way for your future lawn work. Check out some of the links for more information on moles. **K-State Research and Extension has videos on identifying active mole runways and setting traps for them!** Those are the YouTube links below.

<https://www.bookstore.ksre.ksu.edu/pubs/C701.pdf>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bcd1K3qw2P8&feature=youtu.be>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hkmzh-B8Xio&feature=youtu.be>

## Do you have crabgrass and weeds?



<https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problem-solver/problem-solver/weeds/grassy/crabgrass/>

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

At this point in the season if you see broadleaf weeds popping up in the lawn, and crabgrass, consider using the **Fertilome Weed-Out with Crabgrass Killer, Image** or the **BioAdvanced Crabgrass Killer** for well-established lawn areas depending on what weedy items you are wanting to rid. Follow label instructions, and do not spray if it

is over 85-90 degrees to keep from burning your lawn. These are contact killers, so they will only work on what is up and visible. Crabgrass can be harder to kill the more mature it gets through the season. If it is in patches, you may resort to digging it out. Further, keep in mind products like Fertilome Weed-Out with Crabgrass Killer say on the label to wait 3-4 weeks before seeding.

Another idea, that some of you may be planning with lawn work is to kill off entire sections of your lawn to start over. This can be a process, that will take a little time, and reapplications of chemical may be necessary to get the results you are wanting before seeding. Once you kill off an area, you will need to get the dead debris cleaned out and prepped for seeding projects. Start thinking about these tasks in July and early August to stay ahead and make it more manageable by spreading out the work. **Hi-Yield Kill-Zall** would be the product to use for this task. The label provides various instructions based on what you are doing with it.

### What to do about nutsedge in the lawn?



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

[https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problem-solver/problem-](https://www.k-state.edu/turf/resources/lawn-problem-solver/problem-solver/weeds/grassy/nutsedge/)

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

Keep working on the nutsedge patches in your lawn. Use **Bonide Sedge Ender** products, **Image**, **Hi-Yield Nutsedge & Horsetail Control** or **Fertilome Weed Out w/ Nutsedge Control**. Depending upon which product you use, make sure to check the label with how long you have to wait until you can seed. A couple of them will delay you several weeks, so plan accordingly with this stuff too.

### Other products for the lawn

**Broad spectrum insecticides** are available for the lawn and landscape areas to control bugs. Products like **Hi-Yield Turf Ranger** would be a granular insecticide for the lawn, that have chiggers and ticks on the label. Liquid broad-spectrum insecticides have lawn applications like **Fertilome Broad Spectrum Insecticide**, **Bonide Eight**, and we also have an array of **Mosquito products and citronella items**.

### Other common bug questions

**Japanese Beetles** are out and chewing on plant material. Be on the look-



out, and spray plants as soon as you see them to reduce damage.

**[https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pest-problems/common-pest-problem-new/Japanese Beetles.pdf](https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pest-problems/common-pest-problem-new/Japanese%20Beetles.pdf)**

## **Bagworms**



We are getting to the point in the season, that if you are still looking at bagworms, you may have to resort to picking them off and sticking them in a bucket of soapy water or burning them. Their feeding activity stops late summer, and sprays won't work on them.

**<https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/info-center/common-pest-problems/common-pest-problem-new/Bagworms.pdf>**

## **Additional Ideas**

- Consider additional applications of fertilizer on garden plants, and flowers, as the rain and watering activities leach the fertilizer so reapplication is needed throughout the season.
- Weed your flower beds and consider applying another round of weed preventer to help keep the maintenance activities in-check and more manageable. They usually need to be re-applied mid-season.
- Check out the birdbath cleaners, birdfeeder cleaners, water clarifying products for fountains and birdbaths.

## **Hummingbirds & Orioles**

Enjoy the summer birds, and grab your supplies at Blueville!

**<http://gearycountyextension.com/Birds/bbg8.pdf>**

Great bird resources on several subjects at this link:

**<https://hnr.k-state.edu/extension/publications/wildlife.html>**

## **In general, is it still ok to plant?**

Varying opinions on this subject, but for many landscaping companies in general, the work doesn't stop regardless of the heat. Plants always experience transplant shock the first year in a new spot and needing to root after being planted. Adjust the watering throughout the year with the weather conditions. Always check the soil before watering with a probe. Hot, dry summers may require additional watering. Dry winters with little moisture lead to watering new plants on warm-mild days to help them come back in the spring. Use Fertilome Root Stimulator with new plantings the first year. The product has a mild fertilizer, rooting hormone and reduces transplant shock. Plants may look stressed the first year, but give them a chance to see how they come back the second year if they are showing signs of transplant shock.

*We may have hot days, but there is still plenty of things to be thinking about and*

# 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.***

## Selecting a Houseplant

Houseplants can make a great addition in any type of living situation. Not only do they brighten the mood in a room, but they can also help filter the air. While deciding what houseplant you want, there are a few things to consider.

### Light



Houseplants vary in the amount of light they need. Some need bright light, some only require minimal light, while some can take either. Below, I will describe how to provide the appropriate amount of light. Keep in mind, if you aren't able to provide adequate natural light, grow lights can make a great alternative.

- Bright, indirect
  - Within 4-5' of an east or west window
  - 3-5' from a window that faces south or southwest
  - Any place where the sun shines into a room for several hours
- Moderate, indirect
  - East facing window with morning sun
  - At least 3-5' from a window that faces south or southwest
  - Directly in front of a north facing window
- Low, indirect
  - More than 6' away from a south or southwest facing window
  - Hallways, staircases and corners of rooms
  - Near windows that are shaded by trees

### Water

Just like with light, houseplants vary in the amount of water they need to survive. Some plants, like succulents, require very little water. Some even have large vessels in their roots that hold water for





extended periods of time.

Other plants require a significant amount of water to thrive. However, a general rule of thumb I typically follow is to let the top inch or so of soil dry between watering.

Below are a few more rules of thumb.

- Avoid soggy soil
- Use distilled water if possible
- Dump any excess water out of drip trays
- Avoid getting leaves wet
- Cut back on watering during winter.

## Special Care



Some plants require more specific care than others. If you're a beginner, consider selecting a low care houseplant like Sansevieria, ZZ or a Pothos. Other plants may require high humidity, distilled water or even special pruning. Make sure you don't buy anything that takes more care than you're willing to give.

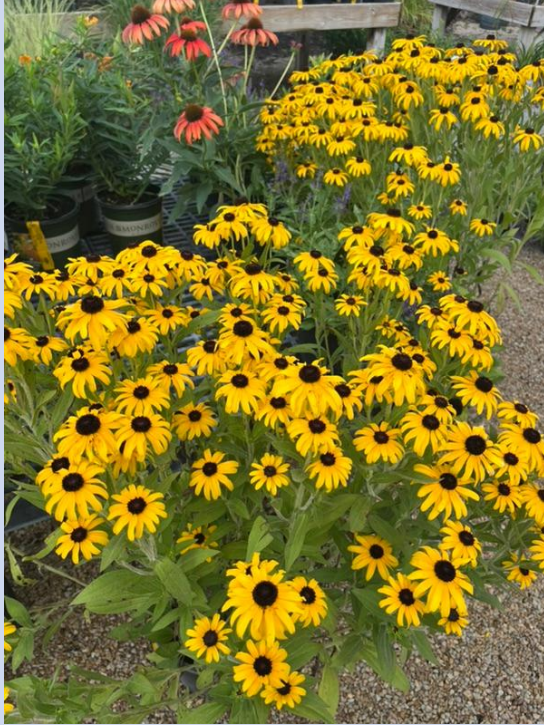
# Plants with Interest











## What To Do

- Add water features to your landscape
- Apply fungicide to turf, perennials and shrubs
- Set water bags around young trees to assist in watering throughout the summer
- Fertilize annuals once a week with fertilome All Purpose and fertilome Blooming & Rooting water soluble fertilizers





- Water lawns approximately 1" per week
- Prepare for fall vegetable gardening

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## What's New

- Wildflower seeds
  - Houseplants
  - Perennials
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