



News from the Farm

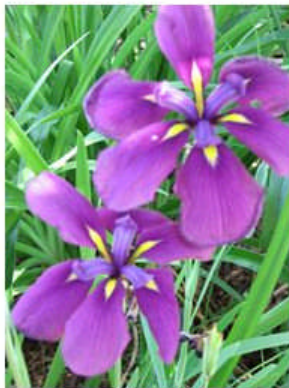
June 2009

IT'S BUSTIN' OUT ALL OVER

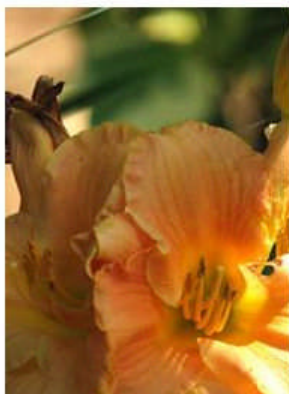
The Show Must Go On

Even during the wettest May in 110 years, the chorus line of Spring wasn't rained out. The dancers have carried on, bedraggled at times, feet slipping in the mud. The rose and peony had their blaze of glory and exited stage left.

Pushing on the curtains, entering one by one, then en masse, the daylilies, Japanese iris and hydrangeas high-step into the spotlight.



Chorus Girls



Daylily Duet

The big extravaganza carries on in the garden. It's a lush production.

And at home, our exciting Summer Stock comedy will begin with the birth of border collie puppies around the Summer Solstice.

*Expectantly,
Kathy*



Lettuce and Turnips and Beans, Oh My!

Vegetable gardening is a new passion at White Wagon. Pat spends many hours with Jack Cornett discussing, planning, planting, digging, picking and eating the results of their work.

Jack is new to White Wagon this year. He brings his experience in the Governor's Mansion vegetable garden with him to what we affectionately call "Pat's Garden". He is also responsible for the state of our flower gardens. Just call him "Mulch Man."

Evelyn Krzeszinski, another new face at the farm this year, is also a passionate vegetable gardener. We put her knowledge and experience to good use in planting seeds, transplanting seedlings, and caring for our plants. She's also pretty darned good with non-edibles — annuals, perennials, shrubs, etc.

Evelyn put some tomatoes and other vegetables into gallons for late season sales. We still have a few. If you lost any of yours to May rains, come see us.

BIG Summer Sale

Beginning Monday, **June 15**, all annuals, tropicals, hanging baskets, and annual color pots will be reduced to **HALF PRICE**.

Come early for best selection.

- Petunias
- Dragon Wing Begonias
- Mandevillas
- Vegetables
- Etc.

Why Did My Plant Die?

Most of us have asked at one point or another why a favorite plant died. And I know I have been asked that *many* times.

Geoffrey B. Charlesworth, a noted Alpine gardener and author of The Opinionated Gardener, answers that question in one of my favorite poems about gardening. Basically he says that anything might have caused the plant's death and trying to find a single answer may be an adventure in the ridiculous.

The entire poem is attached as a PDF file. (Read it aloud for the full effect.)

Nursery & Gallery Hours

During June

Monday – Saturday

9:00 – 5:00

Closed July 4 – Sept 13

Except by Appt

Sage House Gallery Corner

The artists of Sage House Gallery are spending the summer painting flowers for a new show opening at Art in the Garden, October 24 – 25, 2009. Mark your calendars.