

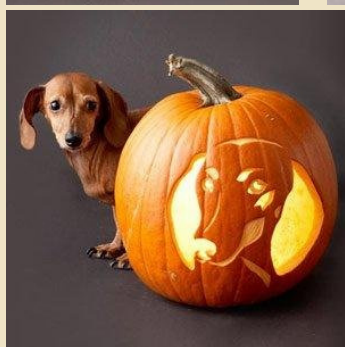


## IN THE NEWS THIS WEEK:

- **Announcements:** Christmas Gift store opening soon!
- **Plant of the Week:** New Superbell varieties for 2011
- **Gardening Tips:** More pruning tips
- **B.C Fruit:** Get your **GREAT PUMPKIN** now
- **In-store special:** Last week: Fall bulbs at 50% off

**Oct. 25th E-NEWS**

**Open 9-6 daily, 1-5 on Sunday**



I was sent these pictures in an email this past week and they're just so cute I had to pass them on. If you're looking for some new ideas on how to dress up your jack-o-lantern this weekend, use these to get your creative juices flowing. And don't forget we have:

**Large field pumpkins**  
**(perfect for jack o lanterns**  
**-avg. 30-35 lb.) \$10 ea.**

I wish warm, fall weather would continue right through the rest of the year but we all know that's not going to happen. Cooler weather is here to stay and its time for us to put the nursery to bed and start to

think 'Gift Store'. This is the fourth year we will transform our market into a 'Christmas Store' but this year it will be full of great things to give, not just great seasonal decorations. (We'll also have fresh-cut LOCAL Christmas trees.) My staff and I have seen the stock as it's been arriving and believe me when I say; there are some really beautiful, practical, unusual, fun and fanciful things~ not the usual 'stuff' you see everywhere else! We're waiting until the beginning of November before we start setting it out, but to whet your appetite, check these out:



**NEW: Hand-loomed scarves in a luscious selection of colours, textures and looks.**



After many requests to bring in the Gourmet Village dip and hot chocolate mixes again, I have placed an order and it will be here soon. And then to have something really decadent to tempt you, I've ordered in scrumptious David's Handmade Belgian Chocolate Truffles and the cutest little 'stocking stuffer' ever: David's 'Twas the Night before Christmas' Mouse.

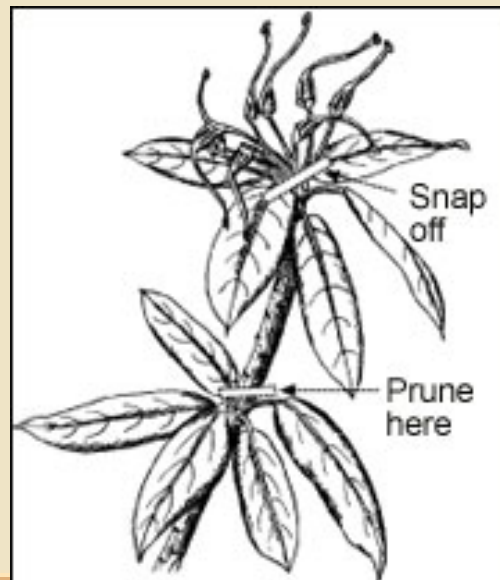


Another thing we'll be offering for the holiday season is custom holiday florals. You may not be aware that I do floral arranging and weddings; I don't generally advertise because doing weddings keep me busy enough! While I've already got a number of bookings for next summer and fall, I don't take on anything in

the spring~ Garden Centre season is crazy enough without adding to the mayhem!! But once the market is all 'done up', I'll start designing innovative florals for the holiday season. If you have something special in mind, please discuss it with me so I can bring your ideas to life.

### **GARDEN TIPS 1** Pruning Broadleaf Evergreens

Broadleaf evergreens like hollies, Oregon grape and boxwoods are easy to prune because they rarely require more than removing the 'Four D's' of pruning (dead, diseased, damaged and deranged branches), have renewal buds under the bark (all along the stems) and tolerate pruning at almost any point. Pruning is best done just after flowering has finished. On the other hand, Rhododendrons have growth buds only at the base of the flower clusters and in the axils of the leaf whorls. If pruning is required, prune back to just above a whorl of leaves or just above a ring that indicates where a leaf whorl once was. Even old, overgrown rhododendrons can be rejuvenated by pruning back hard to just above a rung. New growth will develop from dormant buds hidden under the bark. To keep rhodos blooming well, it is good practice to remove the seed capsules that form as the blooms fade by snapping the cluster of capsules off as indicated in the diagram.



## **GARDEN TIP 2: Spray broadleaf evergreens with antidesiccant**

A major problem with broadleaf evergreens is not lack of hardiness but poor placement in the landscape. On bright winter days, direct sunshine can thaw the foliage causing them to lose moisture. Because the roots are frozen, there is no way for that moisture to be replaced and the leaves 'winter-burn'. Winter-burned leaves do not recover and will remain unsightly until they are removed or drop off naturally. Planting broadleaf evergreens where they will not have to contend with winter sunshine will eliminate this problem. Spray broadleaf evergreens with an antidesiccant like Wiltpruf or Leaf Shield to protect them from excessive moisture loss this winter.

## **PLANT OF THE WEEK: New Superbells**



**Blackberry Punch**



**Coralberry Punch**

When I was at the CanWest Show a few weeks ago, Proven Winners had a beautiful booth set up with many of their latest introductions. Two new Superbell (Calibrachoa) varieties that I thought were particularly beautiful were Blackberry Punch and Coralberry Punch. The strong contrast of the tones in the blooms made them stand out from the rest. This year I used Mango Calibrachoa in my big baskets and they performed beautifully all season. I'm looking forward to trying these new beauties next year.

## **APPLES AVAILABLE NOW:**

**49¢/lb, 30lb/\$12:** Gala, Spartans, Macs and 'Peeler' Jonagolds

**69¢/lb, 30lb/\$18:** Hanna Special, Golden Delicious, Red Delicious

**79¢/lb, 30lb/\$21:** Jonagolds, IdaReds

**89¢/lb, 30lb/\$24:** Elstars, Fuji, Ambrosia

**\$1.29/lb, 30lb/\$36:** Honeycrisp, Pinova

**We still have pears and squash.**

*Lunchbox-size apples: **\$1.50-\$3.50** per bag depending on variety and size of bag*

## **IN THE GARDEN CENTRE:**

**\*Spring-blooming bulbs Last week at 50% off**

**\*Garlic bulbs for fall-planting, 6 varieties: Now 50% off**

Happy gardening,  
*Harriet*

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