



Growing Through 2009

Latah County Master Gardeners Newsletter

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New Logo, New Look Extension unifies the appearance of publications

STORY BY RACHEL RAUSCH

University of Idaho Extension across the state has a new, unified look with our printed materials. Many offices had created their own letterhead, note cards, nametags, stationery, and yes, newsletters. In an effort to have consistency, professionalism, and name recognition, we now have the resources with downloadable templates to work with. While I strive to make the newsletter “readable” and visually appealing, I am excited that we now have these resources along with an updated Master Gardener logo. We will be able to purchase pencils, pens, folders and more. We will also be getting an updated web page as well. I hope you find this appealing.

Focus on Cartoonist Anna Brewer

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This year, the master gardener class includes Anna Brewer, an artist/cartoonist. She provided the work on page two of this newsletter. Take some time to view her work by visiting her blog at:
www.frogblog-acartoondiary.blogspot.com

The images of the Palouse, combined with her autobiographical frog will enthrall you.

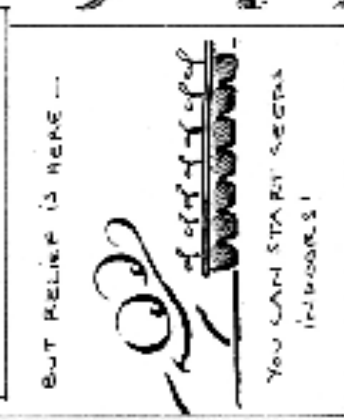


With snow and freezing temperatures the reality, we can hope...
Photo taken on Blaine Street in Moscow, 4/30/09 after another 6" snowfall.

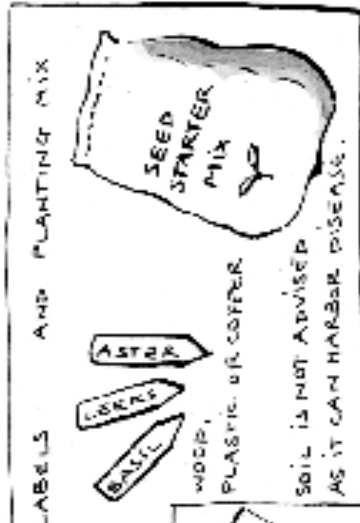
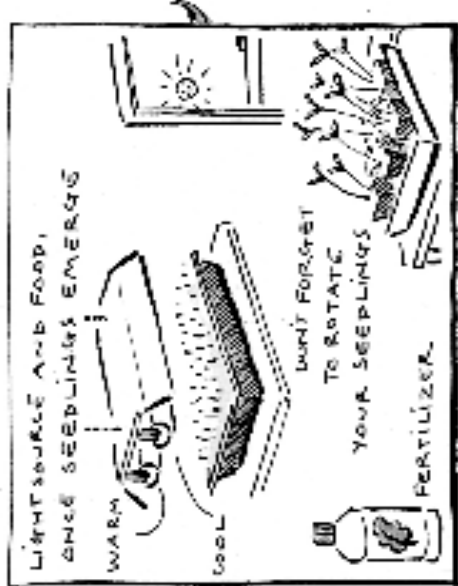
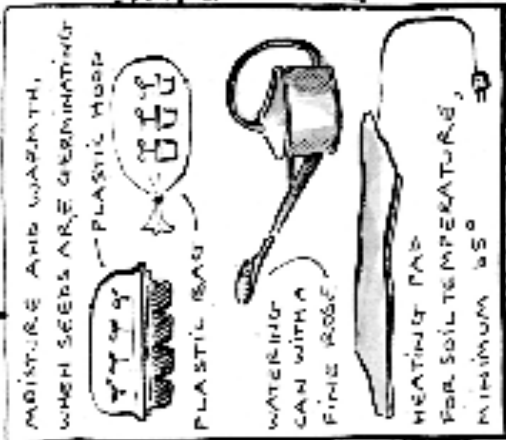
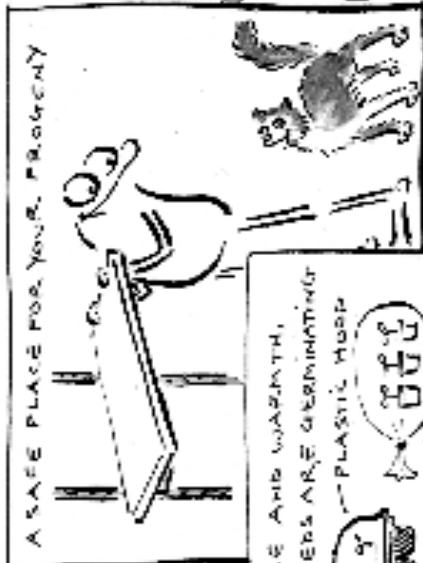
If you would like to see more, visit her art show, “The Palouse - Oil Paintings, Watercolors and Cartoons,” at The Silos, 693 Styner Avenue in Moscow. Her work is on display till April 23, 2009 and includes oils, watercolors, pen and ink, as well as affordable note cards you can purchase. The Silos is open Tuesday through Sunday, 8:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Parking is available off Travois (turn South at the Blaine and Troy Highway traffic light, and then an immediate right on Travois. The Silos is at the end of the street).

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PALOUSE REPORT: Seeding Time



ALL YOU NEED IS:



MG Opportunities

Master Gardeners are invited...

FROM PAUL WARNICK/DAN BARNEY

"We have just finalized arrangements for a new speaker for our annual meeting on April 30th and I am hoping you could help spread the word.

Don Howse, who is probably one of the world's most renowned experts on ornamental conifers will be speaking. He is a UI alumni, and he was one of the key employees in the development of Iseli Nursery, the "Cadillac" (or is that "Lexus" now??) of conifer nurseries. He has also traveled extensively in search of new ornamentals. He is now semi-retired, working at his own small conifer nursery and arboretum in Oregon. He will be talking on "Trekking for Conifers". He is planning to bring some unusual conifers with him to have for sale at the meeting.

The meeting will be in the courtroom at the UI Law School at 7:00 pm on Thursday, April 30th. We will have a very brief business meeting, then I will give a 15-20 minute talk on what is going on in the Arboretum, and Don will talk for about an hour."

Paul Warnick, Horticulturist
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"We will be doing a workshop for District I Master Gardeners on pruning and training trees and shrubs in home and urban landscapes. We will do two sessions on Thursday, May 7 at the Sandpoint R&E Center. The sessions are 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. Master Gardeners can sign up for whichever session they want. There is no charge for the workshop.

Each session is limited to 30 participants on a first come basis. Participants can register by calling 208-263-2323 or emailing us at sandpoint@uidaho.edu. We will provide pruning tools. Caution participants to dress for the weather. We often have mixed rain, snow, hail, and sunshine that time of year, often in a ten minute period. Wear warm, waterproof footwear. Work gloves and rain coats are advisable. We will provide light refreshments and hot drinks. Lunch is on your own."

Danny L. Barney, Ph.D.
Professor of Horticulture, Superintendent
(208) 263-2323 (office)

CALENDAR

April

05 Tea honoring Nancy Porter. Latah County Fairgrounds kitchen, 3:00 p.m. Please come and bring a friend.

07 Master Gardener class "Trees in Idaho," Yvonne Barkley presenter. 9:00 till noon, Room 2B

17 **NOTE DAY CHANGE** Master Gardener class "Pruning Landscape Plants" by Dr. Robert Tripepi

21 Master Gardener class "Plant Clinic 101: Diagnosing Plant Problems," by Cinda Williams, 9:00 till noon, Room 2B

28 Master Gardening class "Composting," by Larry Kirkland, 9:00 till noon, Room 2B

DEMONSTRATION GARDEN

Want a fun and interesting project to get your volunteer hours? Join us in the Demonstration Garden. Many of our experienced gardeners are no longer able to participate *so we need you!*

The plots that are available are:

**TOMATO, IRIS, GRASSES,
RASPBERRIES, STRAWBERRIES,
ANNUALS, COLEUS, HERBS,
CHILDREN'S, BIRD & BUTTERFLY.**

Anyone interested in being responsible for one of these plots, being on the committee, or if you have any questions contact: Audrey Norman at audreyn@uidaho.edu or phone 883-1071 .

AND FINALLY...

Here is another reminder that Spring will not be put off indefinitely!





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