



Holes in Your Hosta?

If the gorgeous leaves on your hosta end up looking like someone took a shotgun to them, they've probably been attacked by slugs. There is a cure. Bonide Slug Magic® has a patented, all weather formula that makes slugs disappear. It's biodegradable and safe for use around pets and wildlife, worms, and beneficial insects.

Slug Magic® can be used in fruit and vegetable gardens up to the day of harvest. The bait is attractive to slugs and snails and lures them from their hiding places and plants. You should apply early in the season when the slugs are small for the best control. A 1 lb. container (only \$11.99) treats 1000 sq. ft. (or 1 level tsp. per sq. yd.) Check this newsletter for a coupon for \$2.00 off.



Email is Greener!

Email is also quicker, more efficient, more fun, and it really does save the environment: less paper, less gas for mail trucks, less waste. The people on our email list are already enjoying many benefits:

- ♥ Early notice of sales
- ♥ Money-saving coupons
- ♥ Timely gardening tips
- ♥ Timely notice when plants arrive so they get first choice

This year we're reducing the number of our printed newsletters from six a year to only two or three. If you haven't already done so, sign up at the Garden Center or email your name and address to info@jonkersgarden.com so you won't miss out any more. And remember, your email address is safe with us: we will never share your email address with anyone.

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Remember Mother's Day 2010

Don't forget your favorite person this May 9th. Mom would love to get just about anything from Jonker's Garden. The traditional favorites are beautiful



blooming hanging baskets and patio pots, and you better believe you'll find a great selection at Jonker's. For something a little more permanent, check out the nursery for all kinds of blooming perennials, shrubs and trees that will remind her of your love year after year.

Maybe this is the year you branch out and get something a little different for Mom. The garden shop is full of great gift items, from yard art and hummingbird feeders to wind chimes, garden benches, gazing balls and lots more.

If you can't decide, remember, a beautiful Gift Card from Jonker's Garden is always appreciated, and then she can select exactly what she wants. You'll both be winners!

Yes, We Make Yard Calls

Many gardeners have been asking if we know of anyone who could come to their home and give them gardening advice. The answer is yes. One of our resident experts will come to your home and advise you on any gardening questions or problems you may have. Anything goes, within reason. The charge is \$60.00 for the first hour, and \$10.00 for each quarter hour after that. Just give us a call, and we'll decide who would be the best person for your situation and make an appointment. Of course, advice and answers are always free at the Garden Center. Either way, we'll help you enjoy your yard and gardens even more than you already do.



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Garden Classes 2010



SAT., MAY 15, 2010 AT 11:00AM - A BEGINNER'S GARDEN

Never had a garden before? Had one and think you may be able to do better? Let Bill Bird lead you through the basics - from site selection to soil preparation, from plant choice to planting techniques. Did you know you could have planted half your garden by now with cold-hardy vegetable plants? Even seasoned gardeners are sure to learn a lot from this session. Please RSVP @ 616.392.7234 ext. 12.

SAT., MAY 22 AT 11:00AM - KIDS' CORNER IN YOUR GARDEN

Parents and grandparents - this class is for you! Gather ideas to create a kid-friendly corner in your garden. Learn how to make a simple pebble pond to attract wildlife, grow enticing "smells", construct a vegetable tunnel, and much more! Free gift bag of several types of seeds to the first 20 sets of kids and parents (or grand parents, or uncles or aunts!) Please RSVP @ 616.392.7234 ext. 12.

SAT., MAY 29 AT 11:00AM - ADVANCED VEGETABLE GARDENING, FOR THE BEGINNER!

Listen to Bill Bird's great tips on how to begin a garden that will make you the envy of the neighborhood. You'd be amazed at the amount of produce he grows in his side yard, and he'll show you how to do it, too. This will be a new and different presentation than he gave last year. A bonus this year: everyone attending is invited to take a self-guided tour of several local gardens after the class. See how seasoned gardeners do it: they're already well into the gardening season. Leave your email address for an invite to view the same gardens in late July to see them in all their glory. Please RSVP @ 616.392.7234 ext. 12.



WED. JUNE 9 AT 7:00PM - DRESSING UP YOUR YARD FOR COMPANY

Join Bill Bird as he shares tips on how to make your yard "fit for company" That should come in handy with all the graduation parties, yard wedding, and just plain entertaining coming up this summer. Tips on setting the table and high-impact, low input tricks to dress up your patio or outdoor room. Don't neglect yourself - you can make your yard a joy to come home to every night. Light sandwiches and wine will be served! \$10.00 charge for this class. Please RSVP @ 616.392.7234 ext. 12.

SAT. JUNE 12 AT 11:00AM - DRESSING UP YOUR YARD FOR COMPANY (REPRISE)

This will be a repeat of Wednesday's presentation. Tea and light snacks will be served. Please RSVP @ 616.392.7234 ext. 12.



Coming up: Summer Garden Tour

We're working with the Holland Garden Club to present a garden tour this summer. We don't have the details yet, but if you sign up for our email newsletter list, you won't miss the announcement!



Live Better, Live Longer

People are realizing that plants are an inexpensive means of enhancing what is most important to all of us: our homes. Studies have shown that plants and flowers increase our sense of well-being and happiness. There's something about getting home and seeing a pot or bed of flowers that makes you feel great.

Real Estate agents have long suggested to people selling their homes that they add to the 'curb appeal' by painting the front door and adding flowers, either in pots or beds or boxes. This adds the sense of welcome, beauty, and peace.

I don't need a scientific study to convince me that flowers make me happy. (OK, I'm really in touch with my feminine side here!) You've seen a person's face when presented with flowers. A smile is guaranteed.

Then comes the 'live longer' part. This comes two-fold. First, the exercise experienced while gardening has long been recognized as some of the best you can get. Second, the sense of well-being and happiness you receive from plants reduces your stress - good for your health!



SPRING HOURS

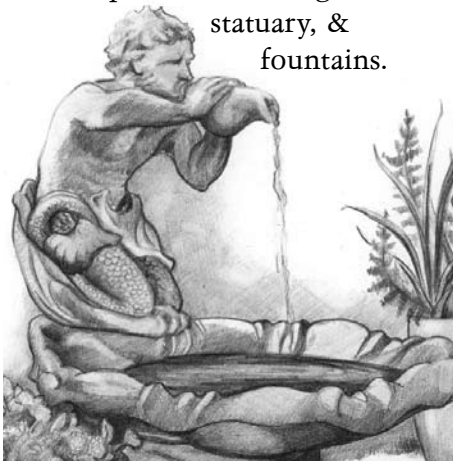
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will be August 14 - 21.



Association Announces Hosta of the Year

The American Hosta
Growers Association has
chosen one standout hosta
every year since 1996 to be
its Hosta of the Year. These
plants are distinctive, grow
well in all of its adaptable
growing zones and be
readily available.

This year's selection is
'First Frost', characterized
by its thick substance and
intense blue-green leaves,
with yellow margins that
fade to pure white. Mature
plants can grow to 16
inches high by 36 inches
wide, with leaves that are 7
inches long by 5 inches wide. In
early fall, the plant grows dense
clusters of pale purple flowers



as tall as 22 inches – great for
keeping the hummingbirds
around.



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This coupon is good for \$4.00 off each full flat of impatiens,
no limit! (reg. \$11.99)

Coupon valid May 17 –23, 2010 only, while supplies last.
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This coupon is good for \$2.00 off each container of
Bonide Slug Magic®, no limit! (reg. \$11.99)

Coupon valid through May 31, 2010 only, while supplies last.
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