



Budding News from Sundance Gardens

July 2010 Newsletter

Happy Summer: Planting, Replanting, and Grace



We are so sorry for those of you who suffered hail damage from the latest in our fascinating foothills weather encounters. The hail hopscotched across town leaving some gardens untouched and others in shreds. We feel your pain. At the Garden Center, we were lucky to get advance notice and had time to cover and protect our inventory. But as gardeners, we find ourselves in the same tattered boat as many of you. The good

news is that your plants will grow back! It will take time; depending on the extent of your damage, you may want to replant your annuals. Established perennials fared better than newly planted. Why not view this as an opportunity to fill in your perennial beds?

"Everything that slows us down and forces patience, everything that sets us back into the slow circles of nature, is a help. Gardening is an instrument of grace." - May Sarton

July Garden Center Tip

Now that most of us have our annuals planted, it's time to concentrate on the stalwarts of our garden...perennials. New, fun varieties are always at the Garden Center. Be sure to plant new plants with mycorrhizae or help to get strong roots started. Later this month give your whole garden a drench with Age Old Bloom to keep it blooming longer.

[For more information click here](#)

July Garden Center Special

Mention this ad for 10% off any mycorrhizae product.



Getting to know you....an interview with Linda Zakes, Garden Center Manager



How and when did you get started working with Sundance Gardens?

My husband, our four sons, and I moved to Evergreen in 1982 - across the street from Dave and his family. Dave's daughter Alexis is the same age as my youngest son, Bobby, and they are still good buddies. Dave's mother-in-law at the time, Francis Morris, hired me in 1989 to help out at their newly- opened Garden Center, and I have been here ever since.

What changes have you seen in the Garden Center business?

Since Sundance's inception, we have grown steadily every year. Customers who supported us twenty-one years ago still shop at Sundance, and new people that find us tend to come back. We appreciate our customers for their continued

support and loyalty.

What is your favorite part of your job?

Since we hand pick all our plants, I still get excited when I am at the wholesalers and find a unique treasure. One year I found a few "Shooting Stars" tucked away in the corner of a greenhouse, and some lucky Sundance customers still have them in their garden. At Sundance, it really is all about the plants. I love sharing them with people who are passionate about plants.

What makes Sundance different than other similar businesses?

We always have friendly, knowledgeable staff and pride ourselves in having high-quality products. We try to be responsible and carry plants that require less water and do well at higher altitudes. The atmosphere at the Garden Center is more like a garden than a store, which makes shopping a really pleasurable experience.

Closing thoughts?

I feel fortunate that I have been able to work at Sundance all these years. Dave is a great boss and having his daughter Alexis working with me for the past 5 years has made it even more fulfilling.

The Garden Tour

The cancellation of the Evergreen Garden Tour was a disappointment for all involved. Long-time friends of Sundance Gardens Al and Jan Himmelman have graciously allowed us to share a peek at their "Mountain Haven," one of the featured homes. Four years ago Sundance designed this Alpine garden where wild flowers bloom continually all summer. This beautiful shade garden flows in and around spectacular moss rocks.



Plants of the Month: Red, White, & Blue



Paprika Yarrow



Snowmound Spirea



Catmint

These hardy plants are all drought tolerant and deer/elk resistant. The catmint blooms spring to summer, the spirea is an early summer bloomer, and the yarrow will give you color summer to early fall.

Happy 4th of July!

Please call us for a free landscape estimate at [303.670.0358](tel:303.670.0358), and be sure to check out photos of our work at our new website: www.sundancegardens.com. We look forward to working with you soon.

Sincerely,

Your friends and neighbors at

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