

April Event WEST SIDE GARDEN NURSERY TOUR

Saturday, August 25, 2020 - 10am-4pm

"My garden is my most beautiful masterpiece." - Claude Monet

The West Side Story Garden Nursery Tour will be Saturday, April 25, 2020 from 10am-4pm. Plan on visiting Trellis and Table at 13910 S Short Rd, Cheney. They love growing. They love playing in the dirt, watching seeds become seedlings and seedlings grow into something amazing. It's good therapy for heart and soul, body and mind. Let them help you love the garden you grow.

Then stop by Latah Creek Nursery at 1415 W Viewmont Rd, Spokane. Founded in 1991, they are located in the heart of the Pacific Northwest. They are a wholesale company and carry a variety of shade trees, shrubs, herbs, hanging baskets, and decorative planters. Their nursery is owned and operated with the intention to produce the highest quality products and provide great service. Door prize available at each location.

Directions to Table and Trellis - From I-90 W, merge onto US-195 S via EXIT 279 toward Colfax/Pullman. Merge onto S Cheney Spokane Rd. Then 3.20 miles. Turn slight left onto S Sherman Rd. Then 3.11 miles. Turn right onto W Washington Rd. Take left onto S Short Rd (portions unpaved). Nursery is on the right.

Directions to Latah Creek - Start out going north on S Short Rd toward W Jensen Rd (portions unpaved). Turn right onto W Washington Rd. Turn left onto S Sherman Rd. Then 2.03 miles. Turn sharp right onto W Taylor Rd. Then 1.10 miles. Turn left onto S Cedar Rd. Take right onto W Viewmont Rd (Portions unpaved). Nursery is on the right.

Perennials - Over 60 perennials, most drought-tolerant (because we spent the summer here last year), all zoned for eastern Washington. Lots of butterfly and hummingbird attractors. Blooms for spring through fall make happy pollinators and soothe the weary soul.

Annuals - Petunias and pansies, verbena and violas, bacopa and bracteantha, lantana and lobelia, and more. Over 100 varieties. Abutilon (so cool), portulaca (sun lover, drought-tolerant), gazania, nicotiana, too many to mention and too many to show.

Baskets - Over 150 flower baskets with dozens of combinations: calibrachoa, petunia, lobelia, bacopa, verbena, nasturtium, fuchsia.

Vegetable Starts - Organic practices, so you can feel extra healthy about eating your veggies--17 varieties of tomatoes, including grafted. Lots of peppers (both hot and sweet)—arranged in the greenhouse from mildest to hottest. We also have melons, strawberries, squash, cruciferous, lots of greens, and, well, you should just come see. Easy to get your five a day when they're right there in the garden.

Herbs - 6 varieties of basil (Think pesto--yum!), dill, tarragon, thyme, peppermint, spearmint, chamomile, parsley, rosemary, and fennel. And consider leeks—a garlicky-onion flavor. Adds a lot of dimension too cooking.

Foliage - Several varieties of hostas and coleus, dusty miller, ipomoea, perennial ground cover, 4 varieties of grasses, ivy, perilla (a new favorite), and hardy sedum—great for landscaping, and beautiful houseplants after the season is done.



TRELLIS AND TABLE STORY

Love the garden you grow. 2020 will be our third season. It's been an exciting journey, and we learn more every year. Thanks for helping us find our way! We hope you'll join us, if you haven't already.

How We Got Here: We are recently retired from teaching in Alaska, where we spent most of our lives. Seeking warmer climates and a much shorter winter, we relocated to eastern Washington, which we

fell in love with while in grad school at WSU in Pullman. We chose the Spokane area for its many schools (once a teacher, always a teacher!), and while looking for a house, we stumbled on property with commercial greenhouses. When it comes gift-wrapped, you've just got to take advantage. So our second career and next adventure: plants. Who doesn't love growing stuff?

Our Alaska Story: Pam was born and raised in Anchorage, living "outside" (the Lower 48, for you cheechakos!) only for school. Pat spent most of his life in Alaska–Bethel, Douglas, Anchorage, Ketchikan–with a few years in Minnesota in high school. We met in Anchorage but spent most of our married life, and raised our children, in rural Alaska; first Bristol Bay, then Delta Junction. Both amazing, supportive communities that we miss very much. Bristol Bay is famous for its salmon fishery, and Delta for bison and farming. In both communities, we took advantage of Alaska's long summer days and worked on our green hobby.

Gardening in Alaska: short season, long days. They say that in Delta, you just put the seeds in the ground and stand back. We had a dome greenhouse and a moose-protected, fenced-in garden, plus numerous flower beds. It was an intense, but short, growing season, interspersed with camping trips, gathering wood for the winter, and berry picking. Ah, the lazy days of summer.



"I grow plants for many reasons: to please my eye or to please my soul, to challenge the elements or to challenge my patience, for novelty or for nostalgia, but mostly for the joy in seeing them grow." - David Hobson